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| 4 | THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, | | |
| 5 | BY HUBERT H. HUMPHREY, III, | | |
| 6 | ITS ATTORNEY GENERAL, | | |
| 7 | and | | |
| 8 | BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHEILD | | |
| 9 | OF MINNESOTA | | |
| 10 | Plaintiffs, | | |
| 11 | -vs- Case File No. C1-94-8565 | | |
| 12 | PHILIP MORRIS INCORPORATED, | | |
| 13 | R.J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO COMPANY, | | |
| 14 | BROWN & WILLIAMSON TOBACCO CORPORATION, | | |
| 15 | B.A.T. INDUSTRIES P.L.C., | | |
| 16 | BRITISH-AMERICAN TOBACCO COMPANY LIMITED, | | |
| 17 | BAT (U.K. & EXPORT) LIMITED, | | |
| 18 | LORILLARD TOBACCO COMPANY, | | |
| 19 | THE AMERICAN TOBACCO COMPANY, | | |
| 20 | LIGGETT GROUP, INC., | | |
| 21 | THE COUNCIL FOR TOBACCO RESEARCH - U.S.A., | | |
| 22 | INC., AND THE TOBACCO INSTITUTE, INC. | | |
| 23 | Defendants | | |
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| 25 | DEPOSITION OF BYRON F. PRICE - VOLUME I | | |
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| 1 | (The following is the deposition of BYRON |
| 2 | F. PRICE, taken pursuant to Notice of Taking |
| 3 | Deposition, at the offices of Dorsey & Whitney, |
| 4 | 250 Park Avenue, 16th Floor, New York, New York, |
| 5 | commencing at approximately 8:30 o'clock a.m., |
| 6 | August 25, 1997.) |
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| 1 | PROCEEDINGS | | |
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| 2 | (Witness sworn.) | | |
| 3 | (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1125 was | | |
| 4 | marked for identification.) | | |
| 5 | MR. WALLACE: Mr. O'Fallon, upon | | |
| 6 | receipt of Plaintiff's 30.02(f) Deposition Notice, | | |
| 7 | we searched for a witness with knowledge of the | | |
| 8 | five topics listed in your Deposition Notice, | | |
| 9 | which has been marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit | | |
| 10 | Number 1125. | | |
| 11 | The topics listed are "Public | | |
| 12 | statements relating to health effects of smoking," | | |
| 13 | and it says "addition and scientific research" | | |
| 14 | MR. O'FALLON: It means | | |
| 15 | "addiction," sir. | | |
| 16 | MR. WALLACE: I imagine that's a | | |
| 17 | typo. | | |
| 18 | MR. O'FALLON: That's correct. | | |
| 19 | MR. WALLACE: Point two, "The | | |
| 20 | health effects of smoking." | | |
| 21 | Point three, "Addiction." | | |
| 22 | Point four, "R&D activities." | | |
| 23 | Point five, "The control of | | |
| 24 | nicotine," et cetera. | | |
| 25 | As you're well aware, The American | | |
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Tobacco Company no longer exists. It was acquired by and subsequently merged into the 3 Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation. As a result, while there may well 5 have once been employees, officers, directors, et 6 cetera of the American Tobacco Company who had 7 knowledge with respect to the five topics listed in your Deposition Notice, they are no longer 8 9 within the control of B&W. 10 We asked some of the people who we 11 believed might have knowledge -- extensive or comprehensive knowledge of all five topics to 12 13 testify in response to this Notice. Those employees, officers and directors are no longer 14 within the control of Brown & Williamson, and each 15 of those individuals declined to cooperate with us 17 in connection with this Notice. Mr. Price is a former employee of 18 the American Tobacco Company who was asked to join 19 20 Brown & Williamson following acquisition in late 21 1994/early 1995. 22 Mr. Price is an analytical chemist 23 employed by The American Tobacco Company in its research and development laboratory from 1965 until late 1994 and 1995, worked at all times 25 STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES

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within R&D. He was never in a policy-making decision with respect to any of the five 3 deposition topics you propose for discussion today. 5 Mr. Price's knowledge, therefore, 6 to some extent is limited by the circumstances of 7 his employment. 8 With these caveats and these 9 limitations, Mr. Price is here to do his best to answer your questions. 10 11 The last thing I would like to request, Mr. O'Fallon, is that, given the broad 12 13 range of topics you've identified for discussion and testimony this morning, to the extent you're 14 15 able to, and I understand, of course, how these things go, I'd appreciate it if you're able to to 17 please let us know when you're beginning or ending 18 these topics so we can have some form of transition, if that's possible. 19 20 Thanks. 21 MR. O'FALLON: Well, let me just 22 state for the record that you have a duty on 23 behalf of your client to either find somebody who is capable of speaking on these subjects or to educate someone who is capable to speak on these 25 STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

1 subjects. It is my understanding that this gentleman will be speaking as a voice for The American Tobacco Company. He will be treated as such. If he is unable to answer questions or if you interfere in my ability to take this deposition, we will, of course, be before the 7 8 Court on a Motion to Compel and a Motion for 9 Sanctions. 10 I'm sure you're well aware of that procedure. You have been very eager to appeal all 11 of those, so with that said, I would also tell you 12 13 that the statement you made today, you were 14 capable of making presumably two or three weeks 15 ago when I was informed that this deposition would go forward. I can't understand why you had to 17 18 wait until we show up here for the deposition to make your statement. If you had something to say 19 20 on that matter, I'm certain you could have written 21 me a letter that would have said something similar to it, and if there were some gaps, we could have 22 23 discussed it, but, of course, as always, you've waited until the last minute. 25 MR. WALLACE: This is my first STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES

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appearance in this case, Mr. O'Fallon, so I don't -- I'm not entirely sure what you're talking 3 about and I take exception to the personal nature of them. I also take exception to your contention that either Mr. Getsinger or myself had 6 7 a duty to educate any witness in this or any other 8 case, and with that --9 MR. O'FALLON: Once again, sir, if 10 we need to, we'll go before a Court, and the fact 11 that it's your first appearance is your problem, 12 not mine. 13 MR. WALLACE: I don't view it as a 14 problem in any -- to any extent, Mr. O'Fallon. 15 MR. O'FALLON: Well, good, then. 16 Hopefully, you'll understand the law and the way 17 this case has proceeded so far. MR. WALLACE: Well, I understand 18 the law as well as you do, Mr. O'Fallon, so with 19 20 those caveats out of the way and that little side 21 bar, why don't please begin for the reason that 22 we're here. 23 MR. O'FALLON: You started off the side bar, my friend, not me. MR. WALLACE: I'd appreciate it, 25 STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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     Mr. O'Fallon, if we can start now.
                   MR. O'FALLON: I know. As always,
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     you like to have whatever you say on the record.
                    MR. WALLACE: Before we begin, how
5
     do I engage this so that it begins showing us what
6
     is being said here?
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                    "On-line" -- there's a button that
8
    says "on-line" --
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                   MR. O'FALLON: Let's go off the
10
    record so counsel can figure out to how use the
11
     equipment.
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                    (Discussion off the stenographic
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    record.)
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                    (Witness sworn.)
                    CROSS EXAMINATION
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16 BY MR. O'FALLON:
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             Q. Could you please state your full
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     name for the record.
             A. Full name is Byron Frederick Price.
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                   Mr. Price, I have marked as
             Ο.
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     Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1125 a document that is
    entitled "Notice of Taking Deposition."
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23
                   Have you had a chance to review
     this previously?
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                   Yes, certainly, another copy of it.
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| 1 | Q. | You understand that you're here |
| 2 | today on behal: | f of the American Tobacco Company; |
| 3 | correct? | |
| 4 | A. | Yes, I believe that's so. |
| 5 | Q. | You have been designated to testify |
| 6 | on certain top | ics; is that your understanding? |
| 7 | A. | Yes. |
| 8 | Q. | And you are prepared to so testify? |
| 9 | A. | I'll try. |
| 10 | Q. | Specifically, you have been |
| 11 | designated to | testify concerning public statements |
| 12 | relating to hea | alth effects of smoking and |
| 13 | addiction and | scientific research; correct? |
| 14 | A. | Yes. |
| 15 | Q. | And you're ready to so testify on |
| 16 | that topic? | |
| 17 | A. | The best that I can, yes. |
| 18 | Q. | You have also been designated to |
| 19 | testify concern | ning the health effects of smoking; |
| 20 | correct? | |
| 21 | A. | Yes. |
| 22 | Q. | And you're ready to so testify? |
| 23 | A. | The best that I can. |
| 24 | Q. | You've also been designated to |
| 25 | testify concern | ning addiction, correct? |
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| 1 | Α. | Yes. |
| 2 | Q. | And you're ready to so testify? |
| 3 | A. | Yes. |
| 4 | Q. | You have been designated to testify |
| 5 | concerning res | earch and development activities; |
| 6 | correct? | |
| 7 | Α. | Yes. |
| 8 | Q. | And you're ready to so testify? |
| 9 | Α. | Right. |
| 10 | Q. | And finally, you have been |
| 11 | designated to | testify concerning the control of |
| 12 | nicotine and o | ther reinforcing substances in |
| 13 | cigarettes and | design and manufacture of |
| 14 | cigarettes Re | same"; correct? |
| 15 | Α. | Right. |
| 16 | Q. | And you are prepared to testify? |
| 17 | Α. | Yes, sir. |
| 18 | Q. | Before we go to the substance, I |
| 19 | would like to | get a little background information |
| 20 | on you. | |
| 21 | | What year did you graduate from |
| 22 | high school? | |
| 23 | Α. | High school; 1954. |
| 24 | Q. | And after that, did you attend |
| 25 | college? | |
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| 1 | Α. | Yes, I did. |
| 2 | Q. | Where did you go? |
| 3 | Α. | Penn State University. |
| 4 | Q. | And did you obtain a degree? |
| 5 | A. | I got a degree there in '58. |
| 6 | Q. | And what was that degree in? |
| 7 | Α. | Agriculture and biological |
| 8 | chemistry. | |
| 9 | Q. | Did you obtain additional education |
| 10 | after that tim | e? |
| 11 | Α. | Yes, I did. |
| 12 | Q. | And where did you go? |
| 13 | Α. | University of Missouri. |
| 14 | Q. | And what degree did you obtain? |
| 15 | Α. | M.S. |
| 16 | Q. | And what was that in? |
| 17 | Α. | Analytical biochemistry. |
| 18 | Q. | And again, M.S. is Master's of |
| 19 | Science; is th | at correct? |
| 20 | Α. | That's correct. |
| 21 | Q. | And what year was that? |
| 22 | Α. | '64 yeah. |
| 23 | Q. | And did you obtain any additional |
| 24 | education afte | r that? |
| 25 | Α. | I had different I had additional |
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| 1 | courses while I | was there working, yes. I |
| 2 | obtained no other | r degrees. |
| 3 | Q. S | o, your highest degree is a Master |
| 4 | of Science? | |
| 5 | A. R | ight. |
| 6 | Q. I | would like to talk with you |
| 7 | briefly about you | ur employment history. |
| 8 | A. 0 | kay. |
| 9 | Q. W | here did you work prior to joining |
| 10 | American Tobacco | in 1965? |
| 11 | A. I | worked at the University of |
| 12 | Missouri, agricu | ltural experiment station. |
| 13 | Q. A | nd what did you do there? |
| 14 | A. I | had the title of a research |
| 15 | instructor, and | I was involved in analytical |
| 16 | chemistry for ot | her branches of the university. |
| 17 | Q. W | hat types of analytical work did |
| 18 | you do? | |
| 19 | A. P: | rimarily, gas chromatography, and |
| 20 | it had to do with | h people in agronomy or entomology |
| 21 | or other departme | ents. |
| 22 | Q. A | ny other jobs before joining |
| 23 | American Tobacco | ? |
| 24 | A. N | o, sir. |
| 25 | Q. De | o you recall the precise date you |
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| 1 | had joined The | American Tobacco Company? |
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| 2 | A. | Yes, April 22, 1965. |
| 3 | Q. | And what was your first position |
| 4 | with American ' | Tobacco? |
| 5 | A. | Junior research associate, I |
| 6 | believe. | |
| 7 | Q. | Who was your immediate supervisor |
| 8 | when you starte | ed? |
| 9 | A. | A gentleman by the name of Everett |
| 10 | Cogbill. | |
| 11 | Q. | And what department were you in? |
| 12 | A. | Research and development. |
| 13 | Q. | And where were you located? Where |
| 14 | was your job lo | ocated? |
| 15 | A. | When I first started, it was in |
| 16 | south-side Rick | hmond. |
| 17 | Q. | And when did it move? |
| 18 | A. | Well, I moved in January of '66. |
| 19 | Q. | And where did you move to? |
| 20 | A. | A new research facility just |
| 21 | outside of Hope | ewell, Virginia, commonly referred |
| 22 | to as "Bermuda | Hundred." |
| 23 | Q. | And how long did you remain at the |
| 24 | Bermuda Hundre | d facility? |
| 25 | A. | Until it was closed. |
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     was in. Let's see, we had blend, blend
     development, and the others were product
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     development, and let's see, a couple of others.
                    One was called -- something the
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     matter of basic materials, and another yet
     manufacturing and factory service, or something
 6
7
     like that.
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                   Okay. Any others?
             Q.
                  Huh-uh, no, not when I joined. I'm
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             Α.
10
     sorry.
                   How about in 1968, some three years
11
             Q.
12
     later?
13
             Α.
                   Well, during that period of time,
14
     we probably had the one formup called "process
     development," and for a short period of time, and
15
     it really never was used, was a biological
17
     section.
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                   Who headed up the biological
19
     section?
20
                   Gentleman by the name of Arthur
             Α.
21
     Burke.
22
             Q.
                    And how long was the biological
23
     section in existence?
                   I don't know, really; maybe until
            Α.
25
     1970 or '69, something like that.
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                  For one year; was it open for more
     than one year?
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             Α.
                 No. The facility -- the new
     research facility had opened in '66, and maybe it
5
     was right before that or about that time on
6
     into -- several years, couple years.
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            Q.
                 So, the biological section was in
8
     existence for several years?
                 Yes.
9
            Α.
10
                  And what kind of work did they do
             Q.
11
     in the biological section?
12
            A. Well, actually, it never became
13
     more than one person.
14
            Q. What kind of work did they do or
15
     did he do?
                  Read papers. There were certainly
     some plans to do more work, but he didn't -- we
17
18
     never -- we never got involved in it.
19
            Q. You had animal facilities at
20
     Bermuda One Hundred; correct?
             A. No, we didn't.
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22
                  Didn't you have animal facilities
             Q.
23
     built there?
                  We had some facilities built to do
24
            Α.
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     some work, but none ever came into being.
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| 1 | Q. | So, it's your testimony that there |
| 2 | were never ani | mals in the animal facilities? |
| 3 | A. | Absolutely, that's true. |
| 4 | Q. | What was your next position after |
| 5 | research assoc | iate? |
| 6 | Α. | Assistant research manager. |
| 7 | Q. | And when did you become assistant |
| 8 | research manag | er? |
| 9 | Α. | Well, I guess about 1970. |
| 10 | Q. | And who did you report to at that |
| 11 | time? | |
| 12 | Α. | Still Everett Cogbill. |
| 13 | Q. | How many people did you have under |
| 14 | you at that po | int? |
| 15 | Α. | Well, let's see. I guess the |
| 16 | section had ab | out ten not all necessarily |
| 17 | reporting directly to me, but certainly I could | |
| 18 | have that. | |
| 19 | Q. | Would that have included the |
| 20 | biological sec | tion or would that have included |
| 21 | Dr. Burke or Mr. Burke? | |
| 22 | Α. | No. |
| 23 | Q. | Who did he report to? |
| 24 | Α. | He reported to Mr. Ed Harlow. |
| 25 | Q. | And what were your responsibilities |
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1
     as assistant research manager?
                 It was nonroutine analytical work.
             A.
3
             Q.
                   What does that mean?
             A.
                  Well, it means that we didn't do
5
     any of the routine smoking and testing, we did
     some identification of the -- the identification
7
     of things in tobacco and smoke, special incoming
     materials, that sort of stuff.
8
9
             Q. Did part of your work involve
10
     identifying carcinogenic substances in tobacco
11
     smoke?
12
             Α.
                   We did identification of smoke in
13
     cigarettes and cigars.
14
             Q. And did that include the
15
     identification of carcinogenic substances?
            A. No, we weren't particularly -- we
17
     weren't a biological laboratory. It was strictly
18
     chemical.
                  Did you, in fact, find substances
19
             Q.
20
     that were known to be carcinogenic in tobacco
21
     smoke?
22
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection. You can
23
     answer.
                    THE WITNESS: Okay. I'm new at
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25
     this.
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| 1 | | MR. O'FALLON: Yeah. He can make |
| 2 | an objection, l | but unless he instructs you to |
| 3 | answer, you st | ill need to answer. |
| 4 | A. | Okay. That later, there was |
| 5 | things that we | re classified as animal carcinogens; |
| 6 | I'm sure we pro | obably ran across those. |
| 7 | | If you're asking me a specific one, |
| 8 | I don't remembe | er any. |
| 9 | Q. | Do you have any idea how many |
| 10 | carcinogens you | u ultimately identified in tobacco |
| 11 | smoke? | |
| 12 | A. | I don't know that we identified |
| 13 | any. | |
| 14 | Q. | Do you have any idea of how many |
| 15 | carcinogens tha | at were known to be carcinogenic in |
| 16 | animal models | you identified as existing in |
| 17 | tobacco smoke? | |
| 18 | A. | No, I don't. |
| 19 | Q. | More than ten? |
| 20 | A. | I have no idea. |
| 21 | Q. | Did you ever report your work in |
| 22 | the literature | ? |
| 23 | A. | No. |
| 24 | Q. | Did anybody at American Tobacco |
| 25 | ever report in | the literature the substances they |
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| 1 | found in tobac | co smoke? |
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| 2 | Α. | No. |
| 3 | 0. | So, whatever substances you |
| 4 | ~ | cigarette smoke, you kept that |
| 5 | | ourself; correct? |
| 6 | illion rouge of p | MR. WALLACE: Objection. |
| 7 | Α. | We did not publish any. |
| 8 | 0. | |
| 9 | Α. | Sure. |
| 10 | | Did you share it with other |
| 11 | manufacturers? | - |
| 12 | A. | No. |
| 13 | | Were you ever instructed to |
| 14 | - | ook for carcinogenic substances in |
| 15 | the tobacco smoke? | |
| 16 | A. | |
| | | Nope. |
| 17 | - | What was your next position after |
| 18 | assistant rese | |
| 19 | | Research manager. |
| 20 | Q. | And when did you become research |
| 21 | manager? | |
| 22 | A. | About 1981. |
| 23 | Q. | And at that time, how many people |
| 24 | reported to you | u? |
| 25 | A. | Twelve twelve, thirteen, |
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| 1 | fourteen. | |
| 2 | Q. | Who did you report to at that time? |
| 3 | Α. | I reported to Dick Irby. |
| 4 | Q. | And who is he? |
| 5 | A. | Well, search for the title |
| 6 | manager, new p | roducts, I believe new products |
| 7 | division. Yea | h, I think that's it. |
| 8 | Q. | In 1970, you reported to |
| 9 | Mr. Cogbill; c | orrect? |
| 10 | | That's correct. |
| 11 | 0. | What was his title when you |
| 12 | reported to hi | - |
| 13 | Α. | Well, for awhile, it was research |
| 14 | | whole time I reported to him, that's |
| 15 | what it was, y | |
| 16 | 0. | |
| 17 | ~ ' | at you were the assistant research |
| 18 | manager from 1 | - |
| 19 | Α. | Yes. |
| 20 | 0. | How long did you remain research |
| 21 | manager? | now long ala you lemain lesealen |
| 22 | _ | Until January of '91. |
| 23 | | What were your duties and |
| 24 | | es as research manager from 1981 to |
| 25 | 1991? | es as research manager from 1901 co |
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| 1 | A. | To manage the research section and |
| 2 | whatever it ne | eded to do. |
| 3 | Q. | Did you do any bench research |
| 4 | during that ti | me period? |
| 5 | A. | No, I didn't. |
| 6 | Q. | During that entire time period from |
| 7 | 1981 to 1991, | did you report to Dick Irby? |
| 8 | Α. | No. He retired. |
| 9 | Q. | When did he retire? |
| 10 | Α. | Eighty '82 or '3. |
| 11 | Q. | Who did you report to after he |
| 12 | retired? | |
| 13 | A. | A Richard Chumney. |
| 14 | Q. | I'm sorry, I didn't get the last |
| 15 | name. | |
| 16 | A. | Richard Chumney. |
| 17 | Q. | And what was his title? |
| 18 | A. | I believe it was director of new |
| 19 | product develo | pment. |
| 20 | Q. | And did you report to him until |
| 21 | 1991? | |
| 22 | A. | Yes. |
| 23 | Q. | And did he remain the director of |
| 24 | new product de | velopment during the entire time |
| 25 | that you repor | |
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| 1 | Α. | Yes. | |
| 2 | Q. | In 1991, what was your new title? | |
| 3 | Α. | Research director. | |
| 4 | Q. | Was that a newly established | |
| 5 | position? | | |
| 6 | Α. | It wasn't newly established, but | |
| 7 | the person I r | eplaced actually had a title of a | |
| 8 | vice president | | |
| 9 | Q. | Who did you | |
| 10 | Α. | And we just flip-flopped. | |
| 11 | Q. | Who did you replace? | |
| 12 | A. | A Preston Leeke. | |
| 13 | Q. | And his title had been what? | |
| 14 | A. | I think it was vice president, | |
| 15 | research. Tha | t title went to somebody else. | |
| 16 | Q. | Who did that title go to? | |
| 17 | A. | Richard Chumney. | |
| 18 | Q. | As research director, did you | |
| 19 | continue to re | port to Richard Chumney? | |
| 20 | A. | Yes; yes. | |
| 21 | Q. | And approximately how many people | |
| 22 | did you have u | nder you as research director? | |
| 23 | Α. | About 75. | |
| 24 | Q. | What were the various departments | |
| 25 | that you direc | ted as research director? | |
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                  I had a section that dealt with
    manufacturing and quality assurance.
                   MR. O'FALLON: Let's go off the
    record for a second.
                   (Discussion off the stenographic
    record.)
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7
    BY MR. O'FALLON:
8
            Q. Before we went off the record, we
9
    were talking about the various departments that
     reported to you as research director. I believe
10
11
     you said one was manufacturing and quality
12
     assurance?
13
             A.
                   That's correct.
14
                  What were the others?
             Q.
15
                   And another one was leaf services,
             Α.
    research and technical services, and -- I have
17
    more -- one was entomology and moisture
18
    department, and another was called analytical
19
     services.
20
                   And how long did you remain the
             Q.
21
    research director?
            A. Until the takeover.
22
23
                  And when did you officially leave
    American Tobacco Company to join
    Brown & Williamson?
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| 1 | Α. | March 1, 1995. |
| 2 | Q. | And at that time, you moved to |
| 3 | Georgia? | |
| 4 | A. | That's correct. |
| 5 | Q. | What was your title? |
| 6 | Α. | Director, analytical research. |
| 7 | Q. | And how many people do you have |
| 8 | reporting to y | ou? |
| 9 | | MR. WALLACE: Objection, beyond the |
| 10 | scope of this | deposition. |
| 11 | | You can answer. |
| 12 | Α. | Twenty-nine. |
| 13 | Q. | Did anybody else in the research |
| 14 | department als | o join Brown & Williamson? |
| 15 | Α. | Yes, they did. |
| 16 | Q. | Any people senior to you? |
| 17 | Α. | No. |
| 18 | Q. | How many people junior to you |
| 19 | joined the res | earch department, or joined |
| 20 | Brown & Willia | mson? |
| 21 | | MR. WALLACE: Objection. |
| 22 | Α. | I believe it was seven. |
| 23 | Q. | So, there are currently what, eight |
| 24 | former America: | n Tobacco Company employees from the |
| 25 | research depar | tment who are now working with the |
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| 1 | Brown & William | mson? |
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| 2 | Α. | I think that's correct. |
| 3 | Q. | And are you still the director of |
| 4 | analytical rese | earch? |
| 5 | | MR. WALLACE: Objection. |
| 6 | Α. | Yes, I am. |
| 7 | Q. | Did you receive any benefits from |
| 8 | American Tobaco | co as a result of the transfer of |
| 9 | ownership? | |
| 10 | | MR. WALLACE: Objection, vague and |
| 11 | ambiguous. | |
| 12 | Α. | Such as |
| 13 | Q. | Severance pay? |
| 14 | Α. | No. |
| 15 | Q. | Retirement benefits? |
| 16 | A. | That transfers to the new company, |
| 17 | so I received n | nothing separate. |
| 18 | Q. | Anything else? |
| 19 | A. | You mean, other than a moving |
| 20 | allowance, or s | something? I mean, I got that, and |
| 21 | I had some stoo | ck options and the company bought |
| 22 | those out at wh | natever market price I had. |
| 23 | Q. | Okay. And what company were those |
| 24 | stock options | in? |
| 25 | A. | American Brands. |
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| 1 | Q. So, you had stock options in |
| 2 | American Brands? |
| 3 | A. Right. |
| 4 | Q. And you received those stock |
| 5 | options from American Brands as what, part of an |
| 6 | incentive program? |
| 7 | A. Yes. |
| 8 | Q. And how long had you been piling up |
| 9 | those stock options? |
| 10 | MR. WALLACE: Objection. |
| 11 | A. Well, I obtained this beginning |
| 12 | somewhere around '87, maybe. |
| 13 | Q. Was that was that part of any |
| 14 | kind of program, or how did you come to receive |
| 15 | this? |
| 16 | A. Well, there was a program, a |
| 17 | certain level of people got a certain amount, and |
| 18 | if you increased your position in the company, why |
| 19 | you generally got were allowed some more. I |
| 20 | don't know what the ranges were. |
| 21 | Q. When is the first time you received |
| 22 | stock options? |
| 23 | A. We were granted these options |
| 24 | whether they used them or not is that what |
| 25 | you're asking me? |
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| 1 | Q. | Yeah. When is the first time you |
| 2 | were granted th | he options any options? |
| 3 | A. | I think it was '87. |
| 4 | Q. | And again, the options you were |
| 5 | granted were or | otions to buy American Brands stock; |
| 6 | is that correct | t? |
| 7 | A. | That's correct. |
| 8 | Q. | In 1987 when you received a check, |
| 9 | what was the na | ame at the top of the check? |
| 10 | A. | That's a paycheck; is that what |
| 11 | you're asking? | |
| 12 | 0. | Yeah, paycheck. |
| 13 | Α. | I don't know. I never received a |
| 14 | check. It went | t directly to the bank. I don't |
| 15 | know. | 4 |
| 16 | 0. | Was it American Brands? |
| 17 | Ã. | 19 I want to think it said |
| 18 | "American Tobac | cco," but I don't know. |
| 19 | | Was American Tobacco a publicly |
| 20 | traded company | |
| 21 | 1 1 | No, it was not. |
| 22 | | Do you consider yourself an |
| 23 | | erican Tobacco from 1965 to 1995? |
| 24 | A. | Yes. |
| 25 | | Okay. Are you aware that from 1969 |
| 23 | ×. | STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES |
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     to 1985, American Tobacco's name was changed to
     American Brands?
3
             Α.
                    Yes.
             Q.
                   Were you an American Brands
5
     employee during that time or an American Tobacco
     employee during that time?
 6
7
                   Consider ourself American Tobacco.
             Α.
8
     We were a division of American Brands.
             Q. From 1969 to 1985?
9
10
                  1985, yeah.
             Α.
                  1969 to 1985, you considered
11
             Q.
     yourself an employee of American Tobacco, a
12
13
     subsidiary of American Brands?
14
             A.
                   We weren't a subsidiary. They
15
     called us a division -- of Brands.
                  During the time period you were
             Ο.
17
     with the company, did you ever have any contact
     with Gallahers?
18
19
             Α.
                  Yes.
20
                    Okay. What was the extent of your
             Ο.
21
     contact with Gallahers?
22
             A. Gallaher was interested in using an
23
     expanded tobacco process of ours, and they sent
     people over to see what we were doing and see
25
     about implementing it.
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| 1 | On | several occasions over the |
| 2 | years, there woul | d be a visiting scientist |
| 3 | attending a confe | rence, would stop through for a |
| 4 | visit. | |
| 5 | Q. Di | d Gallahers have research |
| 6 | facilities? | |
| 7 | MR | . WALLACE: Just for the record, |
| 8 | Mr. O'Fallon, it' | s "Gallaher." There's no "S" on |
| 9 | it. | |
| 10 | Q. Ok | ay. Did Gallaher have a research |
| 11 | facility? | |
| 12 | A. Ye | s, they did. |
| 13 | Q. Wh | ere were those research |
| 14 | facilities locate | d? |
| 15 | A. In | two places; one succeeded the |
| 16 | other. I believe | one was at Henry Street in |
| 17 | Belfast; later to | be moved to out in the |
| 18 | country somewhere | and it was called Lasnafillan, |
| 19 | and don't ask me | how to spell it. |
| 20 | Q. L- | A-S-N-A-F-I-L-L-A-N. |
| 21 | An | d the latter research facility |
| 22 | was also in Irela | nd? |
| 23 | A. Ye | s, it was. |
| 24 | Q. Wa | s it still in Northern Ireland? |
| 25 | A. Ye | s, it was. |
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It was never down in the Republic
1
     of Ireland?
3
             Α.
                  No.
                 Did any of your scientists ever
             Ο.
5
     visit those research facilities?
                   Other than whoever was head of
             A.
7
     research and development or some other VIP -- no,
     I don't think so.
8
9
                  Did the head of research and
            Ο.
10
     development have interaction with those
11
     facilities?
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, vague and
12
13
     ambiguous.
14
                   The head of what R&D facility and
15
    what facilities?
            Q. Do you understand my question, sir?
            A. I think so, but if you want to
17
18
     restate it, go ahead.
            Q. Well, I don't need to. If you
19
     understand it, why don't you answer it.
20
21
            A. I think they had some, but we were
22
     two pretty much independent groups.
23
            Q. What type of research and
     development was done in Ireland by Gallaher?
25
                I don't know the full extent of
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what they had. They certainly had the same type
      of things that we did as far as chemical research.
3
             Ο.
                   Did they have a biological research
     division?
5
                    I think they did for awhile, and
     then somewhere, they -- they canceled that
6
7
     operation.
8
                   Do you know what time period they
             Q.
9
     had that operation?
10
                   MR. WALLACE: Just a second,
     Byron. I object to this whole line of questioning
11
12
     as beyond the scope of the Notice.
13
                    MR. O'FALLON: Object away.
14
                    MR. WALLACE: You can answer.
15
                   I can't give you any dates.
             Α.
16
                   Why don't you give me an
             Ο.
     approximation.
17
18
                    I would want to believe that that
             Α.
     program was disbanded by maybe 1980, and that's
19
20
     the best I can do.
21
             Q. Do you know when that program
22
     started? Do you know how long they had had those
23
     biological research facilities?
24
             Α.
                   No.
25
                   Do you know what kinds of
             Q.
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| 1 | biological research they did? | |
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| 2 | A. Don't know that either. | |
| 3 | Q. Do you know whether they did any | |
| 4 | animal testing? | |
| 5 | A. I certainly don't. | |
| 6 | Q. Would copies of reports of research | |
| 7 | done at Gallaher be sent to or be available to the | |
| 8 | research department at American Tobacco? | |
| 9 | A. Not to my knowledge. | |
| 10 | Q. Did you ever check on them? | |
| 11 | A. I never went to look and ask "Is | |
| 12 | there a report," but no, I never saw any. | |
| 13 | Q. Did you have a library section for | |
| 14 | the research facility? | |
| 15 | A. Yes, we did. | |
| 16 | MR. WALLACE: Are we now talking | |
| 17 | about The American Tobacco Company, Mr. O'Fallon, | |
| 18 | or are we talking about Gallaher? | |
| 19 | MR. O'FALLON: Talking about The | |
| 20 | American Tobacco Company, sir. | |
| 21 | MR. WALLACE: Thank you. | |
| 22 | A. Okay. Yes, we did. | |
| 23 | Q. And what was typically sent to the | |
| 24 | research facility or to the library facility at | |
| 25 | the research center? | |
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| 1 | A. Well, it was like all libraries, |
| 2 | they had a lot of different periodicals, contacted |
| 3 | libraries around the country, all kinds of |
| 4 | information in journals, books on chemistry and |
| 5 | different things. They would have received any |
| 6 | we had a the same thing that libraries do. |
| 7 | Q. Would they get copies of all the |
| 8 | formal reports done by the research department of |
| 9 | American Tobacco? |
| 10 | A. No, that went to a different group |
| 11 | called "Files and Records." |
| 12 | Q. So files and records kept copies of |
| 13 | all the research reports? |
| 14 | A. Yes, to the extent that maybe a |
| 15 | report was bigger or fit with some subject, the |
| 16 | library might pick that up and catalog it. |
| 17 | Q. Was there any on-line computer |
| 18 | access to the various files and records and |
| 19 | reports? |
| 20 | A. No. |
| 21 | Q. It was all a manual system? |
| 22 | A. Yes, sir. |
| 23 | Q. Did you ever have a computer |
| 24 | network system between American Tobacco and any of |
| 25 | the other subsidiaries or companies, such as |
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| 1 | American Brands? | | |
| 2 | A. | No. | |
| 3 | Q. | Do you find that a little odd? | |
| 4 | A. | No. | |
| 5 | Q. | Did you have access to computers in | |
| 6 | your own facil. | ity? | |
| 7 | A. | Sure. | |
| 8 | Q. | Did you have a computer on your | |
| 9 | desk? | | |
| 10 | A. | Nope. | |
| 11 | Q. | Did most of your scientists have | |
| 12 | computers on the | heir desks? | |
| 13 | A. | Nope. | |
| 14 | Q. | Do you know whether the files and | |
| 15 | records departi | ment had reports from Gallaher and | |
| 16 | their research | department? | |
| 17 | | MR. WALLACE: Objection. As to | |
| 18 | what period of | time? It's vague. | |
| 19 | | MR. O'FALLON: Any period of time. | |
| 20 | | THE WITNESS: Any period? | |
| 21 | | MR. WALLACE: That's broad. | |
| 22 | | MR. O'FALLON: Not for me, it | |
| 23 | isn't. | | |
| 24 | | MR. WALLACE: Mr. O'Fallon, I don't | |
| 25 | think the commentary is necessary in the | | |
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objections. I am here to make objections, I'm
     entitled to do that. I simply stated my objection
3
     for the record.
                   Well, certainly, there was -- if
             Α.
5
     any correspondence came in, it would be in central
     files. If anybody shared specifications, that
     type of thing would be there, but we had no
7
     routine exchange of reports or anything like that
8
9
     that would be there.
10
                   Did American Brands have any other
            Q.
11
     research facilities?
12
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection. I think
13
     that's a mischaracterization of his testimony to
     this point.
14
15
                   The only two facilities under the
             Α.
     Brands structure that I know of were at the
17
     Bermuda Hundred complex and in Ireland. If any of
     the other subsidiaries had that, I was certainly
18
     not aware of that.
19
20
                    At least as far as smoking and
             Q.
21
     health or smoking-related research, the only two
    facilities that American Brands had were the
22
     Ireland facility and the facility of Bermuda One
     Hundred?
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MR. WALLACE: Mr. O'Fallon,
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objection. I think again that mischaracterizes
     his testimony. You've talked about research
3
     facilities operated, or he has, by The American
     Tobacco Company and by Gallaher. There's been no
     testimony to this point about research facilities
     operated by American Tobacco.
7
                    MR. O'FALLON: Do you understand
8
     that in this litigation, we have no speaking
     objections. Are you aware of that?
9
10
                    MR. WALLACE: Yes, I understand
11
     that, sir. I have read the transcripts.
12
                    MR. O'FALLON: I realize you're
13
     real new to this.
14
                    MR. WALLACE: I'm not real new to
15
     anything, sir.
16
                    MR. O'FALLON: Okay.
                    MR. WALLACE: I've stated my
17
18
     objection, and again, I reiterate that I do not
     need any commentary upon it, nor do I think the
19
20
     order --
21
                    MR. O'FALLON: I don't need your
22
     commentary either, sir.
23
                    MR. WALLACE: I'm entitled to make
     objections, sir, and that's what I'm doing.
25
                    MR. O'FALLON: You're not
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| 1 | entitled |
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| 2 | MR. WALLACE: Pursuant to the order |
| 3 | of March 20, 1996. |
| 4 | MR. O'FALLON: You're not entitled |
| 5 | to make speaking objections. |
| 6 | MR. WALLACE: I'm aware of what the |
| 7 | requirements are, Mr. O'Fallon. |
| 8 | MR. O'FALLON: Please try to comply |
| 9 | with them. |
| 10 | MR. WALLACE: I believe I am, sir. |
| 11 | MR. O'FALLON: Once again |
| 12 | THE WITNESS: Tell me what once you |
| 13 | have it. |
| 14 | Q. It's my understanding that the |
| 15 | only two research facilities under the aegis of |
| 16 | American Brands were the Bermuda Hundred facility |
| 17 | and the facilities in Northern Ireland; correct? |
| 18 | A. I would say yes. |
| 19 | Q. And to the best of your knowledge, |
| 20 | there were no other research facilities under the |
| 21 | aegis of American Brands; correct? |
| 22 | A. Relating to tobacco, no. |
| 23 | Q. Do you know who the head of the |
| 24 | facilities in Ireland the research facilities |
| 25 | in Ireland was during any time that you were at |
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| 1 | American Tobacco? | |
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| 2 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, beyond the | |
| 3 | scope of the deposition. | |
| 4 | THE WITNESS: Any time; is that | |
| 5 | what you're asking me? | |
| 6 | MR. O'FALLON: Yeah, sure. | |
| 7 | A. One was the name would be | |
| 8 | Richard Boxall, and one would have been Birdie | |
| 9 | O'Neill, and I'm drawing blanks after that. | |
| 10 | Q. When was Richard Boxall the | |
| 11 | director; do you remember and again, I'm not | |
| 12 | asking you for precision. | |
| 13 | A. Somewhere in the early '80s | |
| 14 | maybe mid '80s. | |
| 15 | Q. And how about Mr. O'Neill? | |
| 16 | A. He took over after Boxall died, so | |
| 17 | maybe mid '80s on, or something like that. | |
| 18 | Q. Did you have contact with those two | |
| 19 | gentlemen? | |
| 20 | A. Only to the extent that they came | |
| 21 | through for a tour at American facilities. | |
| 22 | Q. Do you know who those gentlemen | |
| 23 | reported to? | |
| 24 | A. I don't know the reporting | |
| 25 | structure. | |
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| 1 | Q. Was there someone at American | |
| 2 | Brands who oversaw the Ireland facilities? | |
| 3 | A. Not to my knowledge. | |
| 4 | Q. Do you know who? I'm sorry, go | |
| 5 | ahead. | |
| 6 | A. I believe Gallaher was treated as a | |
| 7 | wholly owned subsidiary and had their own board. | |
| 8 | Q. And then why do you say that? | |
| 9 | A. Because I think I recall them | |
| 10 | having a president and a chairman, or something | |
| 11 | like that, who was a member of the Brands board. | |
| 12 | Q. Do you know whether you can buy | |
| 13 | Gallaher stock? | |
| 14 | MR. WALLACE: Just a moment. | |
| 15 | Mr. O'Fallon, may I have a continuing objection to | |
| 16 | the line of questioning relating to Gallaher, or | |
| 17 | would you like me to state my objection after each | |
| 18 | question? | |
| 19 | MR. O'FALLON: Why don't you just | |
| 20 | keep a continuing objection. | |
| 21 | MR. WALLACE: Thank you. | |
| 22 | A. I don't know. I would doubt it, | |
| 23 | since it's a part of Brands, but I have no | |
| 24 | knowledge of that. | |
| 25 | Q. So Gallaher, just like American | |
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     Tobacco, is a company you can only buy stock in by
     buying stock in American Brands; correct?
3
                    MR. WALLACE: Asked for it --
     never mind, withdrawn.
                    THE WITNESS: Say it again.
5
     BY MR. O'FALLON:
6
7
             Q. Is it your understanding that the
8
     only way to buy stock in Gallaher, and again,
9
     we're going to talk about before the buyout, is
     what I'm talking about, so before 1994, is it your
1.0
     understanding that from approximately 1970 to
11
12
     1994, the only way to buy stock in either Gallaher
13
     or American Tobacco was to buy stock in American
14
     Brands?
15
                   I know it was that way with
             Α.
16
     American Tobacco. I'm not sure about Gallaher.
17
             Q. Now, concerning the research you
    did from 1965 and to 1994, including the research
18
19
     you oversaw, did lawyers direct that research?
20
             Α.
                    No.
21
             Q.
                   Were lawyers copied on all the
22
     research?
23
                   No.
                   Were lawyers actively involved in
             Q.
25
     the research?
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| | 15 | |
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| 1 | A. No. | |
| 2 | Q. Were lawyers involved in any way in | |
| 3 | the research? | |
| 4 | A. Not to my knowledge. | |
| 5 | Q. During the time period that you | |
| 6 | have had a biological division, do you know what | |
| 7 | kind of work was done in that biological division? | |
| 8 | A. Reading literature. | |
| 9 | Q. Is that it? | |
| 10 | A. That's about all I remember. | |
| 11 | Q. So, it would be your testimony that | |
| 12 | at no time during your tenure from 1965 to 1994 | |
| 13 | did American Tobacco Company or its parent, | |
| 14 | American Brands, ever undertake biological | |
| 15 | research in the United States; correct? | |
| 16 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, asked and | |
| 17 | answered. | |
| 18 | A. We did not have any in-house | |
| 19 | biological research program at the American | |
| 20 | Tobacco research facility. | |
| 21 | Q. Did you fund external biological | |
| 22 | research other than through The Council for | |
| 23 | Tobacco Research or its predecessor, The Tobacco | |
| 24 | Institute Research Committee? | |
| 25 | A. We had a program at the Medical | |
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     College of Virginia that had been funded for many
     years, and it was in the department of
3
     pharmacology.
                  Was Mr. Burke or Dr. Burke part of
             O.
5
     the Medical College of Virginia at one point in
 6
     time?
7
             A.
                   Yes, he was.
8
                   When did he leave the Medical
             Q.
9
     College of Virginia?
                   Whenever he officially joined
10
             Α.
11
     American Tobacco. I'm not exactly sure --
     '95ish -- I mean, excuse me -- '65ish.
12
13
             Q. So, in 1965 -- before 1965, was he
14
     doing biological research?
15
             A. I don't really know what he was
16
     doing.
17
             Q.
                   In any event, it's your testimony
18
     that once he came to American Tobacco, he stopped
19
     doing any active research; correct?
20
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection. I don't
21
     think there's been any -- that misrepresents his
22
     testimony.
23
                   Well, I don't know what active
     research he was doing at the medical college to
     stop, so there were certainly plans to set up a
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      facility, and he was to direct that.
             Q.
                   Why wasn't that done?
 3
                   Well, I guess, as I understand it,
             Α.
      for several reasons.
 5
                     One, we had been a chemical
     laboratory for years, and that was our expertise,
 6
 7
      and then we were going to have a small corner of
 8
      one floor set up to do this other biological work,
 9
      and I think it was just a reallocation of
     resources and the recognition that these resources
10
      wouldn't be used to their fullest trying to ramp
11
12
      up a new staff to develop expertise, and a
     decision was made somewhere in late '66 or early
13
      '67, I would put it, that before that corner of
14
15
     the building was completely finished that, no,
     we're not going to do that here. There's not
17
      enough -- there's not enough room for staff to do
     the program that apparently Dr. Burke had talked
18
19
      about, and then that we just gave the money away
20
      to Council of Tobacco Research or Medical College
21
     of Virginia or whatever and let people that are
     trained in that field go ahead and do that, and I
22
23
     think that was partially coupled with the -- maybe
     the climate had changed. There were some thoughts
     of, "Well, nobody would believe what was done
25
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| 1 | anyway," so why try and carry that out here on a | |
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| 2 | very limited scale, so it never came into being. | |
| 3 | Q. When did Dr. Burke leave American | |
| 4 | Tobacco? | |
| 5 | A. Gee, somewhere around 1970 to '72. | |
| 6 | I'm not exactly sure. | |
| 7 | Q. From 1965 to 1970 or 1972, did | |
| 8 | Dr. Burke continue to direct the research at the | |
| 9 | Medical College of Virginia? | |
| 10 | A. Not to my knowledge. | |
| 11 | Q. Was the work Dr. Burke did from | |
| 12 | 1965 to 1970 or '72 whenever he left, to the best | |
| 13 | of your knowledge, directed by attorneys? | |
| 14 | A. Attorneys; no. | |
| 15 | Q. Was it done for attorneys? | |
| 16 | A. Not to my knowledge. | |
| 17 | Q. Was it sent to attorneys? | |
| 18 | A. Well, I'm going to say, I don't | |
| 19 | think so, but I wasn't at that time copied to | |
| 20 | know. | |
| 21 | Q. I would like to turn for a second | |
| 22 | to the first notice category in the Notice of | |
| 23 | Deposition, which is "Public Statements Concerning | |
| 24 | Health." | |
| 25 | A. Uh-huh, okay. | |
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| 1 | Q. Would you agree that when a company |
| 2 | makes a public statement related to health effects |
| 3 | of smoking and addiction, it has a duty and an |
| 4 | obligation to be truthful in those statements? |
| 5 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, calls for |
| 6 | a legal conclusion. |
| 7 | A. I think a company has has a |
| 8 | duty, sure. |
| 9 | Q. You would agree the company |
| 10 | shouldn't make false statements; correct? |
| 11 | A. That's true. |
| 12 | Q. A company shouldn't make misleading |
| 13 | statements, correct? |
| 14 | A. That's true. |
| 15 | Q. Nor should a company withhold |
| 16 | important information it has concerning the health |
| 17 | effects of its own products; correct? |
| 18 | A. Sure. |
| 19 | Q. Especially if that company has |
| 20 | information indicating there may be dangerous |
| 21 | substances in their products; correct? |
| 22 | A. Sure. |
| 23 | Q. And if American Tobacco had |
| 24 | information that its products were dangerous, |
| 25 | American Tobacco would certainly disclose that |
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     information, regardless of what its competitors
     did; correct?
3
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection as to
     form. You may answer.
5
             A. If we have that information and
     it's not known, that would be an obligation, yes.
6
7
            Q. Now, you would agree that when a
8
     company makes a public statement, it hopes the
9
     public will hear that statement; correct?
10
            A. I would agree that's the purpose
11
     for a statement.
12
            Q. And you hope that the public will
13
     consider whatever statement you had to make as a
     company; correct?
14
             A. I would think so.
15
16
                  And you would hope that the public
             Q.
17
     would rely on those statements; correct?
18
             Α.
                   Yes.
                   And that certainly applies to
19
             Q.
20
     statements a company makes about the dangers of
21
     its own product; correct?
22
             Α.
                  Sure.
23
             Q.
                   Certainly, the public has the right
     to rely that when a company makes a statement
     concerning the dangers of its own products, the
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     company is going to be telling it the truth;
     correct?
3
                   Right.
             Α.
                   You would also agree that American
             Ο.
5
     Tobacco cannot sell its products illegally;
 6
     correct?
7
                   That's correct.
             Α.
8
                   That is, you can't market your
             Q.
9
     products by making misleading statements; correct?
10
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, calls for
11
     a legal conclusion.
                    THE WITNESS: Say again.
12
                   Sure. That is, you can't market
13
             Q.
14
     your products by making misleading statements,
15
     correct?
16
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection as to form,
17
     calls for a legal conclusion.
18
             A. We have to sell our product through
     whatever legal means we have, and if that's -- we
19
20
     have to tell about our product, yes.
21
             Q.
                    And that would include in order to
22
     do -- strike that.
23
                    And that would include in order to
     sell your product legally, you would have to fully
25
     disclose to the public everything you knew about
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that product that may endanger the public;
     correct?
3
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection as to form,
     objection to the extent it calls for a legal
 5
     conclusion.
 6
                    You may answer.
7
                    THE WITNESS: Say it again. I lost
8
     track here.
9
                   MR. O'FALLON: Why don't you read
10
     it back.
11
                    (Record read.)
                    MR. O'FALLON: I'll restate it.
12
13
     BY MR. O'FALLON:
14
             Q. In order to sell your product
15
     legally, you would have to disclose to the public
     everything you knew concerning the dangers of that
17
     product; correct?
18
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection as to form,
     objection to the extent it calls for a legal
19
20
     conclusion.
21
                    You may answer, Mr. Price.
22
                   I don't know that you have to
             Α.
23
     disclose everything, because certainly, the case
     of smoking, that product is known to be one that
25
     has some risk associated with it.
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                   But you understand that the tobacco
     industry has for the last 40 years denied that the
     case against smoking has been proven; correct?
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection
5
     argumentative. Also, Mr. Price is here to testify
     on behalf of the American Tobacco Company or for
 6
7
     it, not the entire tobacco industry, Mr. O'Fallon.
8
                    THE COURT REPORTER: Could you slow
9
     down a little?
10
                    MR. WALLACE: I can. I'm sorry.
11
     Objection as to form and objection also to just
12
     stating that Mr. -- a point of clarification that
13
     Mr. Price is here to testify on behalf of the
14
     American Tobacco Company and not the entire
15
     tobacco industry, whatever that may be.
     BY MR. O'FALLON:
17
             Q. You understand what the American
18
     Tobacco industry is, don't you, sir?
19
             A. American Tobacco industry is a
20
     group of several companies, yes.
21
             Q. I mean, you've worked in the
22
     American Tobacco industry for over 30 years,
23
                   I worked for The American Tobacco
25
     Company, yes.
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1 Which is part of the American Tobacco industry, right? 3 A. (Nodding.) And there isn't really any Q. 5 confusion in your mind when I use the term "the tobacco industry, " is there, sir? 7 A. I think we recognize now that it's 8 a group of American companies. 9 Q. And you understand that the American Tobacco industry has for the last 40 10 11 years contended that the case against smoking has 12 not been proven; correct? 13 A. I think that's true. 14 You would agree that telling the Ο. 15 public that the case against smoking has not been proven or that it has not been proven that your products cause disease when you, in fact, believe 17 18 it had been proven would be misleading; correct? A. The fact -- state that again. 19 20 Q. Sure. Why don't I restate it. You 21 would agree that telling the public that it hasn't 22 been proven that cigarettes cause disease would be 23 misleading if, in fact, your own company believed that it had been proven that cigarettes cause 25 disease; correct? STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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                   I know I'm losing my train of
     thought.
3
                    MR. WALLACE: Tell you what,
     Mr. O'Fallon, is it all right, perhaps -- we have
5
     been going just about an hour. It might help if
     we just take a few minutes or -- certainly, I
6
7
     don't want to leave with a question pending,
8
     but --
9
                    MR. O'FALLON: Right.
10
                    Why don't we -- well, we can take a
11
     break as soon as the question is answered.
12
                    MR. WALLACE: Okay. Why don't you
13
    do your best right now, Byron.
14
                    MR. O'FALLON: Why don't we have
15
    the question reread so that the record is clear.
16
                    (Record read.)
                   Yes.
17
             Α.
18
                    MR. O'FALLON: Why don't we take a
19
     break.
20
                    (Recess taken.)
21
                   Were you aware, Mr. Price, that in
             Q.
22
     1954, the industry, including American Tobacco
23
     Company, issued a statement that they called a
     Frank Statement to cigarette smokers?
25
                   Yes, I'm aware of that happening.
             Α.
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1
                   Good enough. I'm going to hand you
     a document that's been previously marked in this
3
     litigation as Sistad Exhibit Number 2 entitled "A
     Frank Statement to Cigarette Smokers."
 5
                   Have you seen this type of ad
6
     before?
7
                  I believe I had -- have, but it's
             Α.
8
     been some years.
9
                   Okay. Do you understand at this
             Ο.
10
     time that the cigarette industry basically stated
11
     that they accept an interest in people's health as
     a basic responsibility, paramount to every other
12
13
     consideration in their business?
14
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection. The
15
     document speaks for itself.
             Q. I'm looking on the second column,
17
     the first paragraph after number four -- do you
     see there?
18
                    After number four?
19
             Α.
20
                    Right.
             Ο.
21
                    MR. WALLACE: Hold on.
                    THE WITNESS: Okay.
22
23
                    MR. WALLACE: Is there a question
     pending, Mr. O'Fallon? Are you asking him if
     you've read that correctly?
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| 1 | MR. O'FALLON: Is that an |
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| 2 | objection, sir? |
| 3 | MR. WALLACE: I'm seeking |
| 4 | clarification, sir. |
| 5 | MR. O'FALLON: Is that an |
| 6 | objection? |
| 7 | MR. WALLACE: I'm seeking |
| 8 | clarification, sir. |
| 9 | MR. O'FALLON: Is that an |
| 10 | objection? |
| 11 | MR. WALLACE: Is there a question |
| 12 | pending, and if so, what is it? |
| 13 | May I have the last question read |
| 14 | back, Madam reporter, please? |
| 15 | (Record read.) |
| 16 | THE WITNESS: Okay. |
| 17 | MR. WALLACE: Byron, first of all, |
| 18 | I would like you to take an opportunity to review |
| 19 | this document before you answer any of his |
| 20 | questions. |
| 21 | THE WITNESS: I'm trying to read |
| 22 | where he told me there. |
| 23 | MR. WALLACE: Take your time. Read |
| 24 | the entire thing, put it in context, unless Mr. |
| 25 | O'Fallon I think he pointed you to a specific STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES |
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     provision.
                    MR. O'FALLON: Sir, who is
3
     conducting this deposition, you or me?
                    MR. WALLACE: I believe you are,
5
     Mr. O'Fallon.
                    MR. O'FALLON: Thank you.
 6
7
                    MR. WALLACE: I'm defending the
8
     deposition.
9
                   MR. O'FALLON: Well, why don't you
10
     just limit your comments. We have a protocol
11
     here, and if you've got a problem, let's just
     state it in terms of an objection.
12
13
     BY MR. O'FALLON:
14
             Q. Now, to go back before your counsel
15
     so rudely interrupted, I was directing you, as I
     believe you indicated you wanted, to the
     statement, it's in the second column --
17
18
                    Uh-huh.
             Α.
                    -- under the paragraph four -- it's
19
             Q.
20
     the first full paragraph under that paragraph
21
     that's been numbered four?
22
                    Do you see that there?
23
             Α.
                   It begins, "We accept"?
24
             Ο.
                   Right.
25
                    Okay.
             Α.
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1
                   And the document states, quote, "We
     accept an interest in people's health as a basic
3
     responsibility paramount to every --
                    THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry.
5
     You'll have to slow down a little bit.
                    The document states, quote, "We
 6
             Ο.
7
     accept an interest in people's health as a basic
8
     responsibility paramount to every other
9
     consideration in our business."
10
                    Do you see that?
11
                    Yes, I do.
             Α.
12
             Q.
                    And do you see that under the
13
     sponsors of this statement is listed The American
     Tobacco Company, Inc.?
14
15
             A. Yes, it is.
16
                   Including their president, Paul
             Q.
     H. Hahn -- M. Hahn?
17
18
             Α.
                    Yes. Yes, I see that.
                   Now, one of the purposes of this
19
             Q.
20
     statement was for the industry to try to convey to
21
     the public that they didn't believe that their
22
     products caused any problems as far as health;
23
     correct?
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection,
25
     argumentative, vague and lack of foundation.
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| 1 | A. Well, I think in the first sentence |
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| 2 | back here, it says, "Experiments give wide |
| 3 | publicity to theories that in some way linked to |
| 4 | hum linked to lung cancer in human beings." |
| 5 | That sort of deals with it, I think. |
| 6 | Q. And what's the statement after |
| 7 | that, sir? Why don't you read that? |
| 8 | A. "Although conducted by doctors in |
| 9 | professional standings, these experiments are not |
| .0 | regarded as conclusive in the field of cancer |
| .1 | research." |
| .2 | Q. And specifically, why don't you |
| .3 | read me the sentence after the sentence where the |
| .4 | cigarette companies accept a basic responsibility? |
| .5 | A. You jumped on me there. Are you |
| -6 | going back over to the other column? |
| _7 | Q. Sure, going now back to the second |
| -8 | column. Why don't you read me the statement |
| _9 | after, quote, "We accept an interest in people's |
| 20 | health as a basic responsibility, paramount to |
| 21 | every other consideration in our business"? |
| 22 | A. It says, "We believe these |
| 23 | products we believe the products we make are |
| 24 | not injurious to health." |
| 25 | Q. Now, you would agree that a person |
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reading that statement could reasonably believe
                                 that the industry had just told them that
     3
                                 cigarettes were not injurious; correct?
                                                                                                            It says what we believe right
                                                                             Α.
      5
                                there, yes.
      6
                                                                             Q.
                                                                                                                  And since you've also -- I'm sorry?
                                                                                                        It just says what it does. I don't
     7
                                                                             Α.
     8
                                know what all the other implications that people
     9
                                reading it might take, but --
10
                                                                         Q. Well, you would agree that it's
                                reasonable for someone who reads that statement to % \left\{ 1\right\} =\left\{ 1\right\} 
11
12
                                believe that they have just been told by the
13
                                cigarette companies that cigarettes aren't
14
                                dangerous; correct?
15
                                                                                                                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, asked and
16
                                answered, also misrepresents the prior testimony.
17
                                The sentence you asked Mr. Price to read does not
18
                                contain the word "dangerous," Mr. O'Fallon.
                                                                                                                    MR. O'FALLON: Is that an
19
 20
                                objection, sir?
 21
                                                                                                                    MR. WALLACE: Yes, it is. You've
22
                               mischaracterized the testimony, sir.
23
                                                                                                                  MR. O'FALLON: Would you read back
 24
                               my question, please?
25
                                                                                                                     (Record read.)
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                   MR. WALLACE: Also calls for
     speculation.
3
                   It just says, "injurious to
     health." I don't know about "dangerous."
5
             Q. Well, do you think "injurious to
 6
     health" and "dangerous" are somewhat synonymous?
7
             A. Might need another judgment
8
     decision on "dangerous."
9
             Q. You would agree that it would be
10
     reasonable for someone looking at that, a person
11
     who just picks this up one day in the newspaper
12
     where it was published throughout the country to
13
     look at it and say, "Appears to me that the
     cigarette companies are telling me that their
14
15
     products aren't dangerous"; correct?
16
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, calls for
    speculation, also misrepresents the sentence
17
18
     you've asked him to read.
19
             A. Someone picks that up, they might
20
     take that as the idea that, yes, they are not
21
     injurious, and others might look at it with utter
     disdain; I don't know.
22
23
            Q. In addition, the companies all
     pledged "aid and assistance to the research effort
     into all phases of tobacco use and health";
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| 1 | correct? | |
|----|--|--|
| 2 | A. | Where are you reading that, sir? |
| 3 | Q. | Big paragraph one there on the |
| 4 | third column? | |
| 5 | A. | "We are pledging"? |
| 6 | Q. | Right. |
| 7 | A. | Okay. |
| 8 | Q. | It says, "We are pledging aid and |
| 9 | assistance to the research effort into all phases | |
| 10 | of tobacco use and health"; correct? | |
| 11 | A. | That's what it says, yes. |
| 12 | Q. | It says, "This joint financial aid |
| 13 | will, of course, be in addition to what is already | |
| 14 | being contributed by individual companies"; | |
| 15 | correct? | |
| 16 | A. | Yes, sir. |
| 17 | Q. | Number two states, "For this |
| 18 | purpose, we are establishing a joint industry | |
| 19 | group consisting initially of the undersigned. | |
| 20 | This group will be known as Tobacco Industry | |
| 21 | Research Committee"; correct? | |
| 22 | A. | Yes. |
| 23 | Q. | Number three, it says, "In charge |
| 24 | of the research activities of this committee will | |
| 25 | be a scientist | of unimpeachable integrity and |
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1
     national repute"; correct?
             Α.
                   Yes.
3
             Q.
                   It states, "In addition, there will
     be an advisory board of scientists disinterested
 5
     in the cigarette industry"; correct?
 6
             A. Yes, sir.
7
             Q.
                   Now, the American Tobacco Company
     played a key role in forming TIRC, correct, the
8
9
     Tobacco Industry Research Council?
10
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, assumes
     facts not in evidence, lack of foundation -- also
11
12
     vague.
13
             Α.
                   I don't know the complete role The
14
     American Tobacco Company played. As a person
     joining the company in '65, I certainly was aware
15
     that Paul Hahn was one of the leaders.
17
                    Other than that, I have to let it
18
     go.
                    MR. O'FALLON: I'm asking to be
19
20
     marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1126 a document
21
     Bates stamped numbered MNAT 00724279 through 280
22
                    (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1126 was
23
               marked for identification.)
24
                   Do you recognize 1126?
             Q.
25
                   This one -- okay. That's numbered
             Α.
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| 1 | that way. |
| 2 | Q. Have you seen this document |
| 3 | previously? |
| 4 | A. Not until we looked at it maybe |
| 5 | some day last week. |
| 6 | Q. And when you say "we," you're |
| 7 | talking about you and your attorneys; correct? |
| 8 | A. Yes, sir. |
| 9 | Q. This is a letter from the president |
| 10 | of R.J. Reynolds to Mr. Paul Hahn, who is the |
| 11 | president of American Tobacco Company; correct? |
| 12 | A. Yes. |
| 13 | Q. Mr. Darr states to Mr. Hahn, quote, |
| 14 | "You took a bold and courageous action in December |
| 15 | 1953 when you called a meeting" "called for a |
| 16 | meeting of manufacturers and other industry groups |
| 17 | to discuss ways and means of presenting a united |
| 18 | front against the claims that were being made that |
| 19 | cigarette smoking causes lung cancer"; correct? |
| 20 | A. That's correct. |
| 21 | Q. It states, "The formation of the |
| 22 | Tobacco Industry Research Committee was the |
| 23 | result"; correct? |
| 24 | A. Uh-huh. |
| 25 | Q. So, apparently, Mr. Hahn and |
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American Tobacco Company were instrumental in
     forming the TIRC; correct?
3
                    MR. WALLACE: The document speaks
     for itself.
                    THE WITNESS: That's -- certainly,
 5
6
     yes, that's what it's saying.
7
             Q. Mr. Darr goes on to state, "There
8
     is absolutely no question in my mind that if this
9
     committee had not been formed, the cigarette
     industry would now have been in a deplorable
10
11
     position"; correct?
12
             Α.
                   That's what it says.
13
             Q.
                  He then concludes that, "In other
14
    words, the TIRC has been a successful defense
15
     operation"; correct?
             Α.
                   That's what it says.
17
             Ο.
                   Now, when you took out the ads or
18
     when American Tobacco took out the ad along with
     the other companies in 1954, you didn't tell the
19
20
     public that you were forming TIRC as a defensive
21
     operation, did you, sir?
22
                   No. It says, "The group to be
             Α.
23
     known as Tobacco Industry Research Committee for
     the purposes of having a joint industry group."
24
25
                    MR. WALLACE: I'm going to also
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request, Mr. O'Fallon, that to the extent you have
     any more questions about the Frank Statement that
3
     are not restricted to determining whether you've
     read something correctly, that you give Mr. Price
      the opportunity to read that document before you
 6
     continue to ask him questions about it.
7
                    MR. O'FALLON: Is that an
8
     objection, sir?
9
                    MR. WALLACE: Yes, it is, sir.
10
     It's on the record.
11
                    MR. O'FALLON: What rule is
12
     evidence is that under?
13
                    MR. WALLACE: I'm not going to
14
     engage in any colloquy, Mr. O'Fallon. What I'm
15
     talking about is basic courtesy and fairness.
                    MR. O'FALLON: My point, sir, is
17
     that I would wish you would not engage in any
18
     colloquy at all. The orders of this court require
     you to state "objection" and the basis of your
19
20
     objection. If you have an objection, legitimate
21
     or not, state it and give me the basis.
22
                    MR. WALLACE: I have, sir. The
23
     basis of the objection is that I consider it
     unfair to continue to inquire of this witness
25
     about what one might draw from the Frank Statement
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without giving the gentleman an opportunity to
     read the document that you have confronted with
3
     him here.
             Q. Sir, did you review the Frank
5
     Statement prior to this deposition?
             A. Not in real detail.
6
7
                   But you did have it, didn't you,
             Q.
8
    sir?
9
             Α.
                   Yes.
10
                   It was one of the documents shown
             Q.
11
     to you by your attorneys; correct?
12
             Α.
                 Yes, it was.
13
             Q.
                   Did they ever give you the
14
     opportunity to review it in whatever detail you
15
     needed to review it in?
             Α.
                    We --
17
                    MR. WALLACE: I'm going to object.
18
     Hold on Byron. I'm instructing the witness not to
     answer any of the questions. You're seeking now
19
20
     to pry into privileged communications and course
21
     of conduct, and I instruct the witness not to
22
     answer any of the questions.
23
                   MR. O'FALLON: I'm seeking to show
     your objection is foolish, sir --
24
25
                    MR. WALLACE: The communications he
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1
     may have had --
                   MR. O'FALLON: -- and I think I
3
     have done a pretty good job of that. Fact of the
     matter is --
5
                    MR. WALLACE: Hold on, Mr.
6
    O'Fallon.
7
                    MR. O'FALLON: The fact of the
    matter is, you have had the opportunity to review
8
9
     this document prior to today; correct, with your
     attorney?
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11
                   MR. WALLACE: Mr. O'Fallon, you
12
     certainly are here to conduct a deposition. I
13
     have read nothing that vests you with judicial
     authority in this case to also rule on objections
14
15
     that are not --
                   MR. O'FALLON: Sir, I'm making a
    record. That's what we do here, instead of just
17
     making unbased statements.
18
             Q. Now, the fact of the matter is, you
19
20
    have had an opportunity to look at this document,
21
     correct, prior to this deposition?
22
                    THE WITNESS: Am I to answer?
23
                    MR. WALLACE: I don't know whether
    you have or not. You can -- if you can answer his
     question, answer it, sir.
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| 1 | Α. | Yes, we looked at it I looked at |
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| 2 | it. | |
| 3 | Q. | It would certainly be reasonable |
| 4 | for someone rea | ading this document to conclude that |
| 5 | what the tobaco | co industry was trying to do when it |
| 6 | formed the Toba | acco Industry Research Committee was |
| 7 | | ective, unbiased group; correct? |
| 8 | Α. | Yes, sir. |
| 9 | | MR. WALLACE: Objection, calls for |
| 10 | speculation. | |
| 11 | Q. | And yet Mr. Darr's statement would |
| 12 | indicate that, | in fact, what the TIRC was was a |
| 13 | successful defe | ensive operation for the tobacco |
| 14 | industry; corre | ect? |
| 15 | Α. | Well, that's what his words are |
| 16 | right there. | |
| 17 | Q. | Would you agree that by 1958, it |
| 18 | was pretty much | n agreed that the causal link |
| 19 | between cigaret | te smoking and lung cancer had been |
| 20 | established? | |
| 21 | Α. | There had certainly been a causal |
| 22 | link establishe | ed by the surgeon general as |
| 23 | "causation" is | defined by him. |
| 24 | Q. | By 1958, I'm speaking. |
| 25 | Α. | Excuse me, '58, I didn't hear your |
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1
     number.
                   I'm sorry. And that's why.
             Q.
3
             Α.
                   Yeah.
                    Because the surgeon general reports
             Q.
5
     in 1954.
                    How about by 1958, do you know
6
7
     whether at that point the industry had at least
     concluded that the causal connection between
8
9
     cigarette smoking and lung cancer had been proven?
10
             A. I don't -- I don't know what all
     the industry had said, but I believe the American
11
     Tobacco's position was that, no, it had not been
12
13
     proven.
14
                   Okay. I would like to show you a
             Q.
15
     document that's been previously marked in this
     litigation as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 304.
                    This is a document that's been
17
18
     produced by the British-American Tobacco Company
     Bates stamp number 105408490 through 499, and it's
19
20
     entitled at the top "Report on Visit to USA and
21
     Canada, 17, April to 12th, May, 1958", correct?
22
             Α.
                    Okay.
23
             Q.
                   British-American Tobacco is now one
     of your employers; correct?
                   It is now, yes.
25
             Α.
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| 1 | Q. | And you will see on the second page | |
| 2 | of the documer | nt Bates stamp last three numbers 491 | |
| 3 | that it lists | the itinerary that these gentlemen | |
| 4 | followed; correct? | | |
| 5 | Α. | Okay. | |
| 6 | Q. | And you'll see on the 17th of | |
| 7 | April, they ag | pparently visited The American | |
| 8 | Tobacco Company in Richmond; correct? | | |
| 9 | Α. | Right. | |
| 10 | Q. | And met with Mr. H.R is that | |
| 11 | Hamron? | | |
| 12 | Α. | Ham Hamner. | |
| 13 | Q. | Hamner. Mr. Harlan and Mr. Harlow; | |
| 14 | correct? | | |
| 15 | Α. | Yes. | |
| 16 | Q. | And do you know who those gentlemen | |
| 17 | were? | | |
| 18 | Α. | Well, all three of those people | |
| 19 | worked in the research and development of American | | |
| 20 | Tobacco. | | |
| 21 | Q. | They also met with the Medical | |
| 22 | College of Vir | rginia and Professors Larsen and | |
| 23 | Haag, correct? | | |
| 24 | Α. | Yes, sir. | |
| 25 | Q. | And are those researchers who did | |
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| 1 | work on behalf | of the American Tobacco Company? | |
| 2 | Α. ' | They were grantees, I guess is the | |
| 3 | word. They received money | | |
| 4 | Q. | Okay. | |
| 5 | Α. | for work that they did. | |
| 6 | Q. | Okay. And they were also an | |
| 7 | indication of f | our meetings with the TIRC, | |
| 8 | correct, the Tobacco Industry Research Committee? | | |
| 9 | Α. | Down there if yes, okay. | |
| 10 | Q. | The first one being April 28th; | |
| 11 | correct? | | |
| 12 | Α. | Well April 28th, all right. | |
| 13 | Q. | Then May 5th; correct? | |
| 14 | Α. | Industry I'm not sure that | |
| 15 | that's exactly | the same, but maybe it is. | |
| 16 | Q. | Did you know what the industry | |
| 17 | technical committee of the TIRC was? | | |
| 18 | Α. | No. | |
| 19 | Q. | It appears that the chairman of | |
| 20 | that was Mr. Hamner; correct? | | |
| 21 | Α. | Well, that's what it says. | |
| 22 | Q. | And again, he was an American | |
| 23 | Tobacco employee; correct? | | |
| 24 | Α. | That's right. | |
| 25 | Q. I | Do you know who Mr. Hoyt and | |
| | ; | STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES | |
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| 1 | Dr. Hockett were? | |
|----|--|--|
| 2 | A. I don't know Hoyt and Hockett. | |
| 3 | Q. And then on the 8th, there's listed | |
| 4 | another visit with the TIRC in New York; correct? | |
| 5 | A. Little and Hockett okay. | |
| 6 | Q. Uh-huh. And on the 10th, there's | |
| 7 | also listed a visit with the TIRC; correct? | |
| 8 | A. Okay. | |
| 9 | Q. And again, that's the organization | |
| 10 | that American Tobacco was instrumental in forming; | |
| 11 | correct? | |
| 12 | A. Yes, they were. The were certainly | |
| 13 | part of it. | |
| 14 | Q. Let's look on the third page of | |
| 15 | this document what has an Arabic number 2 at the | |
| 16 | top of it and has the last three Bates numbers of | |
| 17 | 492. | |
| 18 | A. All right. | |
| 19 | Q. Are you on that page? | |
| 20 | A. All right. | |
| 21 | Q. Do you see the heading entitled, | |
| 22 | quote, "Causation," end quote, "of lung cancer"? | |
| 23 | A. All right. | |
| 24 | Q. The first sentence states, quote, | |
| 25 | "With one exception," parenthetical, "H.S.N. | |
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Greene, " end parenthetical, "the individuals whom
     we met believed that smoking causes lung cancer if
     by, quote, "causation," end quote, "We mean any
     chain of events which leads finally to lung cancer
     and which involves smoking as an indispensable
     link"; correct?
7
             A.
                   That's what it says.
8
                   And again, among the individuals
9
     they met with were at least three individuals from
     the American Tobacco Company; correct?
10
11
                   Right.
             Α.
12
             Q.
                   Did The American Tobacco Company
13
     ever take out an advertisement in 1958 or now or
     up until now that says "that smoking causes lung
14
     cancer if by `causation,' we mean any chain of
15
     events which leads finally to lung cancer and
17
     which involves smoking as an indispensable link"?
18
                   Offhand, I don't know.
             Α.
                   You don't know of any such
19
              Q.
20
     advertisement or statement as you sit here today;
21
     correct?
22
             Α.
                   No, I don't.
23
             Q.
                   Let's also look at the page that at
     the top is page 8, but the bottom, the last four
25
     Bates numbers are 498.
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             Α.
                   Page 8, you say?
             Q.
                   Yes.
3
             Α.
                   Okay.
                   Are you there?
             Q.
 5
             Α.
                    Yep.
 6
             Q.
                   Do you see the section entitled
7
     "Conclusions"?
8
             Α.
                   Okay.
9
                   It says, number one, "Although
             Ο.
10
     there remains some doubt as to the portion of the
11
     total lung cancer mortality which can fairly be
     attributed to smoking, scientific opinion in USA
13
     does not now seriously doubt that the statistical
14
     correlation is real and reflects a
15
     cause-and-effect relationship" correct?
                    That's what it said.
17
             Q.
                    Do you recall the industry taking
18
     out any ads in 1958 or thereafter that says there
19
     is no serious dispute in the scientific community
20
     concerning the cause-and-effect relationship
21
     between smoking and lung cancer?
22
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection, beyond the
23
     scope of the deposition. Mr. Price is here to
     speak on behalf of and for The American Tobacco
25
     Company, again, Mr. O'Fallon, and not the entire
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     tobacco industry. It's beyond the scope.
                   MR. O'FALLON: Again, we can do
3
     without the speaking objection. "Beyond the
     scope" will do it.
5
                    Do you want that question read
 6
     back?
7
                    THE WITNESS: Yeah, I've lost
8
     track.
9
                    MR. O'FALLON: Yeah, me, too. Long
     objections do that. Why don't we go ahead and
10
11
     read back.
                    (Record read.)
12
13
             A.
                   No, I don't recall that.
14
                   Would you also look at page 5, the
             Q.
    Bates number, last three numbers 495 at the bottom
15
     of the page.
             Α.
                   4 --
17
                   Yeah, 495, page 5 at the top.
18
             Q.
             A.
                  Oh, excuse me. I'm going
19
     backwards. Okay.
20
21
            Q.
                   That's my fault. Actually, I'll
22
     direct you to the middle of the page where it
23
     says, "Attitudes of U.S. industry to biological
     testing."
24
25
             Α.
                    Okay.
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| | 7.5 |
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| 1 | Q. Are you there? |
| 2 | A. Uh-huh. |
| 3 | Q. The first sentence states that, |
| 4 | quote, "Liggett & Myers stayed out of TIRC |
| 5 | originally because they doubted the sincerity of |
| 6 | TIRC motives and believed that the organization |
| 7 | was too unwieldy to work efficiently"; correct? |
| 8 | A. That reads correctly, yes. |
| 9 | Q. They state, quote, "They remain |
| 10 | convinced that their misgivings were justified"; |
| 11 | correct? |
| 12 | A. Yes. |
| 13 | Q. They also state, quote, "In their |
| 14 | opinion, TIRC has done little, if anything, |
| 15 | constructive, the constantly reiterated, guote, |
| 16 | "not proven," unquote, "statements in the face of |
| 17 | mounting contrary evidence has thoroughly |
| 18 | discredited TIRC and the SAB of TIRC is |
| 19 | supporting, almost without exception, projects |
| 20 | which are not related directly to smoking and lung |
| 21 | cancer." |
| 22 | Do you see that statement? |
| 23 | A. Yes, I do. |
| 24 | O. Did TIRC ever disclose that to the |
| 25 | public that, in fact, they are supporting almost |
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without exception projects which are not related
      directly to smoking and lung cancer?
 3
                     MR. WALLACE: Objection.
                     THE WITNESS: Well, this is --
 4
                     MR. WALLACE: Hold on. Hold on.
 5
 6
     Objection.
 7
                     Mr. O'Fallon, you continue to ask
 8
     Mr. Price whether you have read things accurately,
 9
      and then you want to discuss the document
      substantively.
10
11
                     I think, again, you should give him
12
      an opportunity, if he has already reviewed it,
13
     perhaps to rereview the document so that he can
     put these things in context, sir.
14
15
                     We have established that you read
16
     dramatically quite well, so I would request that
17
     you give him an opportunity to review these
18
     things.
                     Also, I would object to the lack of
19
20
     foundation. There has been no testimony to this
21
     point, sir, that Mr. Price knows anything about
     the founding of TIRC or what its functions were
22
23
     some seven years prior to joining the company.
                    MR. O'FALLON: Are you done?
24
                     MR. WALLACE: Yes, I am, sir.
25
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| 1 | MR. O'FALLON: I'm really tired of | | |
|----|--|--|--|
| 2 | your speaking objections. We get one more, we're | | |
| 3 | going to the court. | | |
| 4 | Do you understand that? | | |
| 5 | MR. WALLACE: You'll do what you | | |
| 6 | have to do, sir. | | |
| 7 | MR. O'FALLON: I certainly will. | | |
| 8 | MR. WALLACE: I'm sure you will. | | |
| 9 | MR. O'FALLON: Would you please | | |
| 10 | read back my last question? Was it answered, or | | |
| 11 | did the long colloquy once again interrupt it? | | |
| 12 | MR. O'FALLON: Do you get paid by | | |
| 13 | the word? | | |
| 14 | MR. WALLACE: You know | | |
| 15 | perhaps never mind. Go ahead. | | |
| 16 | I don't think this is necessary, | | |
| 17 | Mr. O'Fallon. | | |
| 18 | MR. O'FALLON: I don't think any of | | |
| 19 | your speaking objections are necessary, sir. | | |
| 20 | MR. WALLACE: Nor, for that matter, | | |
| 21 | are your inappropriate questions are particularly | | |
| 22 | necessary or objectionable questions. You're | | |
| 23 | doing what you need to do, I'm doing what I need | | |
| 24 | to do to defend and preserve the record. | | |
| 25 | THE COURT REPORTER: Do you want | | |
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| 1 | the record read? | |
|----|--|--|
| 2 | MR. O'FALLON: Well, did we get an | |
| 3 | answer to the question before the interruption? | |
| 4 | (Record read.) | |
| 5 | MR. O'FALLON: Okay. Why don't we | |
| 6 | restate it for Mr. Price, and then we can get his | |
| 7 | answer. | |
| 8 | (Record read.) | |
| 9 | A. Okay. Well, first off, I think we | |
| 10 | all recognize this was long before my tenure with | |
| 11 | the company. | |
| 12 | Second, I don't know whether there | |
| 13 | was some other disclosure done by TIRC. I'm not | |
| 14 | aware of any. | |
| 15 | Q. And you do understand that | |
| 16 | you're | |
| 17 | A. And that this is only speaking | |
| 18 | this is somebody else's writeup and conclusions. | |
| 19 | I don't know what it exactly has to do or how he | |
| 20 | took those, or whatever. | |
| 21 | Q. You understand that you have been | |
| 22 | designated as a representative to speak on behalf | |
| 23 | of the American Tobacco Company; correct, sir? | |
| 24 | A. Yes, indeed. | |
| 25 | Q. And you understand that we have | |
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clarified through meet and confers and otherwise
     that the time period we would be discussing was
3
     1954 to 1994; correct?
                   Right.
             Α.
                  And you felt that you were prepared
5
             Ο.
     and ready to testify on those issues before you
 6
7
     came here today; correct?
8
            A. The best I could.
9
                   Let's go to the last paragraph, the
             Ο.
10
     middle sentence, it states, quote, "Hamner of A.T.
11
     Co. had prepared a comprehensive scheme for
12
     biological research several years ago, but action
13
     on this has been deferred."
14
                    Was it your understanding that
15
     there was a scheme -- "a comprehensive scheme for
     biological research" that had been developed at
17
     American Tobacco Company?
18
                    I'm not aware of any.
             Α.
                    Okay. But you are aware that not
19
             Q.
20
     only was it deferred in 1958, it was ultimately
21
     deferred completely; correct?
22
             A. Until I had seen this document to
23
     read, I didn't know anything about 1958.
                   But at least you knew that as far
             Q.
25
     as you knew, there has never been a biological
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     research program undertaken by The American
     Tobacco Company in-house; correct?
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                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, asked and
     answered.
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                   I believe that's true, there's not
6
     been a biological program in-house.
7
                    MR. WALLACE: Mr. O'Fallon, this
8
    one was not marked as an exhibit?
9
                   MR. O'FALLON: It's been previously
10
     marked as an exhibit, sir.
                   MR. WALLACE: Oh, I'm sorry. I
11
12
     didn't see that.
13
                   In 1965, American Tobacco came into
             Q.
     possession of information indicating that there
14
15
     were nitrosamines in cigarette smoke; correct?
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, lack of
    foundation, assumes facts not yet on evidence --
17
18
     record evidence.
                    MR. O'FALLON: It's called a setup
19
20
     question, sir. That's what we do.
21
                    MR. WALLACE: I have stated my
22
     objection. You don't need to explain it,
23
     Mr. O'Fallon.
                    MR. O'FALLON: It seems that you're
25
     a little confused about it.
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                    MR. WALLACE: Mr. O'Fallon, I
     object to your continuing commentary on
3
     objections -- objections that are made. It's not
     necessary sir, and it's inappropriate, and I'd
 5
     appreciate it if you'd stop.
                    MR. O'FALLON: Why don't you read
 6
7
     back my question once more, which was, once again,
8
     interrupted by an objection.
9
                    (Record read.)
10
                    I did review the document ahead of
11
     time, and I think it has to do with discussions
12
      about somebody finding a method in nitrosamines,
13
     and if that's the one you're referring to, yes,
14
     and I think there's also a conclusion that, "Well
15
     maybe that probably wasn't there, "but I don't --
     that would have been the first hint.
17
              Q.
                    Did your research department
18
     undertake after 1965, which would have been after
19
     you started to determine whether or not, in fact,
20
     nitrosamines were in cigarette smoke?
             A. I don't believe that we did.
21
22
                   You understand that nitrosamines
             Q.
23
     are considered to be carcinogenic; correct?
                   They are certainly listed as animal
             Α.
25
     carcinogens, yes.
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| 1 | Q. And you would agree that human |
| 2 | beings are animals; correct? |
| 3 | A. If you want to push it that far. |
| 4 | Q. Well, are human beings animals? |
| 5 | A. Sometimes. |
| 6 | Q. And so you had information in your |
| 7 | files that indicated that nitrosamines, a |
| 8 | potential carcinogen, were in cigarette smoke, and |
| 9 | your own laboratories did nothing to try to |
| 10 | confirm that? |
| 11 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, asked and |
| 12 | answered. |
| 13 | A. We didn't have the capability at |
| 14 | that time. We went on to do that later on, some |
| 15 | years. |
| 16 | Q. So, at some point in time, you did |
| 17 | confirm that nitrosamines were in cigarette smoke? |
| 18 | A. Yes. I don't think we ever |
| 19 | disputed that. |
| 20 | Q. When did you finally determine that |
| 21 | the nitrosamines were in the cigarette smoke? |
| 22 | A. I think after other literature was |
| 23 | probably discussed. I don't know that anybody |
| 24 | objected to that. |
| 25 | Q. Do you remember what year you |
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| characterized the nitrosamines? | | |
|--|--|--|
| A. We didn't start doing our own | | |
| nitrosamine work until sometime in the '80s. | | |
| MR. O'FALLON: I would like to have | | |
| marked a document Bates stamped numbered MNAT | | |
| 00880155 through 00880161. | | |
| (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1127 was | | |
| marked for identification.) | | |
| MR. WALLACE: Were these range of | | |
| documents, Mr. O'Fallon, predesignated? | | |
| MR. O'FALLON: Yes, they were. | | |
| This particular document, I believe, was only | | |
| recently discovered after the eighth-month-late | | |
| production by American Tobacco of 61 boxes of | | |
| documents into the depository. I believe a letter | | |
| was sent to Mr. Getsinger on Friday. | | |
| MR. WALLACE: Here you go. | | |
| Q. Do you recognize the document that | | |
| we have had marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1127? | | |
| A. Okay. | | |
| Q. Do you recognize this? | | |
| A. I recognize it from seeing it after | | |
| it had been designated, yes. | | |
| Q. Okay. So, you would have reviewed | | |
| it sometime over the weekend? | | |
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| 1 | Α. | Yes. | |
| 2 | Q. | Let's go to the third paragraph of | |
| 3 | the first page | | |
| 4 | | By the way, this is entitled | |
| 5 | "Nitrosamines | in Cigarette Smoke"; correct? | |
| 6 | A. | That's correct. | |
| 7 | Q. | It's from a J.M. Moseley; correct? | |
| 8 | A. | That's right. | |
| 9 | Q. | Who was that? | |
| 10 | A. | One of the one of the men on the | |
| 11 | research staff | at American Tobacco. | |
| 12 | Q. | And it's to a Dr. W.R. Harlan; | |
| 13 | correct? | | |
| 14 | A. | Yes, sir. | |
| 15 | Q. | And who was he, Dr. Harlan? | |
| 16 | A. | At that time, he was the head of | |
| 17 | the R&D laboratories. | | |
| 18 | Q. | Okay. And this is dated January | |
| 19 | 12th, 1965; correct? | | |
| 20 | A. | That's correct. | |
| 21 | Q. | The third paragraph states that | |
| 22 | "The possibility of the presence of nitrosamines | | |
| 23 | in cigarette smoke is of enormous interest to | | |
| 24 | persons concerned with the reported carcinogenic | | |
| 25 | activity of cigarette smoke"; correct? | | |
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| 1 | A. Yes. | | |
| 2 | Q. And was American Tobacco Company | | |
| 3 | among those that were concerned with the reported | | |
| 4 | carcinogenic activity of cigarette smoke? | | |
| 5 | A. Well, it seems that we are | | |
| 6 | concerned enough to be writing this memo about | | |
| 7 | it. I guess, yes, sure. | | |
| 8 | Q. And again, this would be a memo | | |
| 9 | that would be written in the ordinary course of | | |
| 10 | business; correct? | | |
| 11 | A. That's correct. | | |
| 12 | Q. And kept in the ordinary course of | | |
| 13 | business? | | |
| 14 | A. Yes. | | |
| 15 | Q. Mr. Moseley then goes on to state, | | |
| 16 | "Dr. Hans Falk of the National Cancer Institute, | | |
| 17 | Public Health Service recently stated that, if the | | |
| 18 | presence of nitrosamines in cigarette smoke can be | | |
| 19 | proved, the entire direction of the work of the | | |
| 20 | USDA/PHS team would be altered, " correct? | | |
| 21 | A. Okay. | | |
| 22 | Q. "He stated that nitrosamines are | | |
| 23 | the most potent carcinogens known to man and the | | |
| 24 | activity of polycyclic hydrocarbons polonium 210 | | |
| 25 | and other carcinogens which have been identified | | |
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      in smoke is insignificant by comparison"; correct?
                   That's what it says.
             Α.
3
             Q.
                   Would you agree with that?
                   I have no expertise to agree, other
             Α.
5
     than what it says.
6
             Q. Let's turn to the second page.
7
     There's some general discussion in here about some
     work that's been done in -- I believe it's South
8
9
     Africa concerning nitrosamines; correct?
10
                   Uh, let's see. It would be at the
11
     bottom --
12
                    MR. WALLACE: Would you like to
13
     point him to a specific portion? It's a rather
     lengthy, single-spaced page, Mr. O'Fallon. It
14
15
     might help speed things up.
16
                    MR. O'FALLON: I'm trying to find
17
     it.
18
                   Actually, look back at the first
             Q.
19
     page.
20
                    At the last paragraph, it says,
21
     "During a recent trip of the USDA/PHS team to
22
     Europe, they were told by Professor Druckrey in
23
     Frieburg that one Dr. Serfontein had found
     nitrosamines in cigarette smoke, and this fact had
     been published in the South African Medical
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     Journal"; correct?
                  Yes, that's what it says.
             Α.
3
             Q.
                  And it says, "Dr. Falk has been
     unable to track down this report"?
5
             A. That's right.
                    Okay. Now, if you go over to the
6
             Q.
7
     second page, Bates number at the bottom 156, and
     go to the last sentence?
8
9
                  The last sentence?
             Α.
10
                   Or the last paragraph, I'm sorry.
             Q.
                  Last paragraph.
11
             Α.
12
             Q.
                    It says, "We wrote to Dr. J.N.
13
     Marais of the Tobacco Research Institute,
     Rustenburg, South Africa, and asked him to acquire
14
15
     into the report ascribed to Dr. Serfontein."
                   I think that's how you pronounce
17
     that.
18
             Α.
                    That's good enough for me.
                    MR. WALLACE: I'm sorry, Mr.
19
20
    O'Fallon. There's also marginalia there. You're
21
     intentionally omitting that or --
22
                    MR. O'FALLON: I can't read it,
23
     sir, to be honest about it.
24
                    MR. WALLACE: There is marginalia.
                    MR. O'FALLON: Yes, there is
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marginalia, and this document will go to the jury, and they will do with the marginalia what they do 3 with the marginalia. If you can read it and you would 5 like to put it in the record, be my quest. 6 MR. WALLACE: No. I'm just simply 7 pointing out, since Mr. Price is being asked to 8 indicate whether you've read things correctly, 9 but subject to the fact there is marginalia, you 10 have read it correctly. 11 MR. O'FALLON: And just so you 12 understand, we intend to admit this document in 13 evidence, and we hope the jury will have this document in its entirety so that they can judge 14 15 whether I'm reading it correctly or not so they don't have to rely on my rendition of the 17 document, okay? 18 Q. He goes on to state that "In his reply dated October 29, 1964, copy attached, he 19 20 reported on a conversation with Dr. Serfontein." 21 He then states, quote, "The latter 22 had stated that he had qualitatively identified 23 nitrosamines in tobacco smoke beyond any doubt and described his analytical technique in general terms to Dr. Marais, who, in turn, described them 25 STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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     to us, " correct?
                   That's what it said.
             Α.
3
             Q.
                  So, it appears that at least in
     1965, you have some confirmation that at least one
5
     researcher has identified nitrosamines in
     cigarette smoke; correct?
7
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, the
8
     document speaks for itself.
9
     BY MR. O'FALLON:
10
             Q.
                   Correct?
                  I agree that's what it says.
11
             A.
                 Then it says, "Dr. Marais is under
12
             Q.
13
     the impression that nitrosamines have also been
14
     detected in tobacco smoke by Dr. Neurath of
15
     Reemstra"; correct?
16
            A. Yes.
17
             Q.
                  Reemstra is another cigarette
18
     manufacturer; correct?
19
             A. Yes, it is.
20
                   Is Reemstra a German company?
             Q.
             A.
21
                  I believe so.
22
                   So, it appears that at least two
             Q.
23
    institutions have identified nitrosamines now in
    tobacco smoke by 1965; correct?
25
                   That's what this letter says; yes,
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     sir.
                   It then goes at the last paragraph
     on the third page, last three Bates numbers 157,
     it states, quote, "Perhaps the possible presence
     of nitrosamines in cigarette smoke should be
     discussed by appropriate personnel in our own
7
     organization"; correct?
8
             Α.
                   Yes.
9
                    "It may be that work should be
             Ο.
10
     initiated either in our own laboratory or under
11
     contract in an effort to duplicate the results
     claimed by Mr. Serfontein and ascribed to
13
     Dr. Neurath, " correct?
14
             A.
                   Yes.
15
             Q.
                   Was such investigation undertaken?
16
                   I'm not aware of any.
17
             Q.
                   Did American Tobacco make any
18
    effort to notify the public in 1965 that
     nitrosamines had been found in cigarette smoke?
19
20
                    Not to my knowledge.
             Α.
21
             Q.
                   I believe you stated earlier that a
22
     company would have an obligation not to withhold
     material information concerning its own products
     and the dangers of its own products from the
25
     public; correct?
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| 1 | A. That's correct. | |
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| 2 | Q. You would agree that American | |
| 3 | Tobacco's failure to inform the public of the | |
| 4 | presence of nitrosamines in cigarette smoke would | |
| 5 | be a violation of that duty; correct? | |
| 6 | MR. WALLACE: Objection. The | |
| 7 | question is argumentative and it calls for a legal | |
| 8 | conclusion. | |
| 9 | You may answer. | |
| 10 | A. I think the position there has been | |
| 11 | right along that when things are known by the | |
| 12 | general public health community, if we can't add | |
| 13 | anything more to it, we don't have that duty to | |
| 14 | warn that. | |
| 15 | Q. Well, you would agree that Reemstra | |
| 16 | is not a member of the general health community, | |
| 17 | correct? | |
| 18 | A. That's another tobacco company and | |
| 19 | out in the public literature, things that are | |
| 20 | known. | |
| 21 | Q. That's a German company, correct? | |
| 22 | A. Sure. | |
| 23 | Q. The South African article was | |
| 24 | published in South Africa, correct? | |
| 25 | A. Sure. | |
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                  In fact, your own company had a
     fair amount of trouble tracking it down, correct?
3
                   But not shortly after that.
                   It's certainly not going to be
             Ο.
5
     known by the man on the street that the cigarettes
 6
     contained nitrosamines, a potent carcinogen, at
7
     that time, is it?
8
                    MR. WALLACE: Well, objection,
     Mr. O'Fallon.
9
                    Now you're mischaracterizing
10
11
     things. You've taken him across the Serfontein
     literature. You've extrapolated from that this
12
13
     general concept of nitrosamines, and you're
     suggesting the two are somehow equal and the
14
15
     public doesn't know about Serfontein research.
16
                    THE WITNESS: Well --
                    MR. O'FALLON: Is that an
17
18
    objection?
                    MR. WALLACE: Yes, it is.
19
20
                    MR. O'FALLON: The word "objection"
21
    works wonderfully.
22
                    MR. WALLACE: You can answer if you
23
     can.
                    MR. O'FALLON: If you remember it
24
     after the long interruption.
25
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1 MR. WALLACE: It's an objection, it's not an interruption, no more so than your questions are interruptions of objections, so please --5 At this stage, the scientific Α. community does a lot of back-and-forth when 6 7 somebody identifies something, so to have the first indication that, yes, you're finding 8 9 nitrosamines, it takes a lot more than one or two people to confirm that. 10 11 That later went on -- I'm aware of 12 that -- so the position that I'm saying is that it 13 takes awhile for that to evolve, but after that's known, no, we did not publish that, and as I said, 14 15 we had the position that cigarettes are something that's known to have risk in using them, and if 17 the information is in the public, we didn't do 18 that. 19 Your own company waited some 15 Q. 20 years before you undertook to confirm that 21 nitrosamines were, in fact, in cigarette smoke; 22 correct? 23 MR. WALLACE: Objection. I think that mischaracterizes the testimony. We started a program in the '80s 25 STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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when we had the capability to look at our
      cigarettes. Others had already done much of that
     in the public health community and other private
     researchers, and probably at some of the other
     tobacco companies, but we did, when we were able
 5
     to look at these in some reasonable manner -- we
 6
7
     jumped into that.
8
                   You could have looked at this issue
             Q.
9
     in 1965; correct?
10
                   Could have.
             Α.
                   You just chose not to spend the
11
              Q.
12
     money?
13
             Α.
                   If we had -- we may have found it,
14
     we may not have, yeah.
15
                   But you could have undertaken that
             Q.
     research in 1965 if you had simply decided to
17
     spend the money; correct?
18
                    We could have.
             Α.
                    Instead, you made a knowing
19
             Q.
20
     decision to wait for more than 15 years to confirm
21
     the presence of a carcinogen in your own product;
22
     correct?
23
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection as to the
24
     form.
25
                    We accepted what was out in the
             Α.
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     literature. We have never just -- we have never
     not accepted that.
3
             Q.
                  Well, in 1954, you told the public
     your products were not injurious to health.
5
                   Did you ever take out a statement
    that says, "We now believe our products may be
6
7
     injurious to health"?
8
            Α.
                  No.
9
                   MR. O'FALLON: I'm asking to be
10
    marked a document Bates stamp number 500082474.
                   (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1128 was
11
12
               marked for identification.)
13
                   THE WITNESS: Okay.
14
                   Do you have that document in front
15
     of you?
                   Yes, I do.
             Α.
                   This is entitled "New York Times,
17
             Q.
18
     April 6th, 1967"; correct?
19
             Α.
                   Yes.
20
                    It says, "Tobacco Studies Draw
             Ο.
21
    Criticism"; correct?
22
             A. Right.
23
             Q.
                   "Chief of American denies
     relationship to disease"; correct?
                   That's what it says.
25
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                   The first paragraph states, "Robert
     B. Walker, president and chairman of the American
     Tobacco Company, criticized yesterday various
     studies that contend that cigarette smoking causes
     many diseases"; correct?
             A.
                    Yes.
7
                    "The tobacco executive said that
             Q.
8
     'No clinical or biological evidence has been
9
     produced which demonstrates how cigarettes relate
     to cancer or any other disease in human beings,'"
10
11
     correct?
12
             Α.
                    Yes.
13
             Q.
                   At no point in this article is it
14
     disclosed by Dr. -- by Mr. Walker that American
15
     had evidence in its own files showing that
     nitrosamines -- potent carcinogen -- had been
17
     identified in tobacco smoke; correct?
18
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection as to form,
     and I think in fairness, if you're going to ask
19
20
     the witness to confirm that nowhere in the article
21
     does it say something, Mr. O'Fallon, that you at
22
     least accord him the fairness of reading the
23
     document as we sit here now.
                    MR. O'FALLON: I'm certainly not
25
     stopping him from reading it, sir.
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                   MR. WALLACE: Byron, I would ask
     you to please take the time to read the article.
3
                    I am.
             Α.
                    Okay. I agree with what you said,
5
     that it reads that way.
                    MR. WALLACE: Wait.
6
7
                    MR. O'FALLON: My question was --
8
    why don't we have her read back my question for
9
    you.
10
                    (Record read.)
                    MR. WALLACE: Same objection.
11
                    No, I believe that's correct.
12
13
                    MR. O'FALLON: I would next like to
    mark a document that's been Bates stamped number
14
     500011469.
15
16
                   (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1129 was
17
               marked for identification.)
18
             Q. I have had marked as Plaintiffs'
     Exhibit 1129 a document Bates stamp numbered
19
20
     500011469.
21
                    Have you seen this before?
22
             Α.
                   Yes.
23
                   At the top, it indicates that this
     is a full-page ad appearing in New York Times on
     September 4th, 1969; correct?
25
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1
                  That's right. That's what it said,
     yes, sir.
3
             Q.
                 And it's entitled "Why we're
     dropping the New York Times"; right?
            A. Right.
5
             Q.
                  At the bottom, it's attributed to
6
7
    the American Tobacco Company, a Division of
8
    American Brands, Inc."?
9
                 Right.
            Α.
            Q.
10
                  The first paragraph says, "Last
11
     week, the times said it would accept cigarette ads
     only if they contain (1) a health caution notice,
13
     and (2) tar and nicotine figures"; correct?
14
            A. That's right.
15
            Q. American Tobacco states, quote, "We
16
     don't go along with this"; correct?
            A. That's what it says.
17
18
                  In the fifth paragraph, they say,
             Q.
    "Sure, there are statistics associating lung
19
20
     cancer in cigarettes"; correct?
            A. Yes.
21
22
                  It states, "There are statistics
            Q.
23
    associating lung cancer with divorce and even with
    a lack of sleep"; correct?
25
                   Okay.
            A.
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| 1 | Q. Wouldn't you feel it's fair for the | | |
|----|--|--|--|
| 2 | public reading that to conclude that American | | |
| 3 | Tobacco is greatly demeaning the evidence that | | |
| 4 | associates lung cancer with cigarettes? | | |
| 5 | MR. WALLACE: Objection as to | | |
| 6 | form. It's vague and ambiguous, requires | | |
| 7 | speculation. | | |
| 8 | A. I don't know that. I have no way | | |
| 9 | of knowing what the public received or thought of | | |
| 10 | this. | | |
| 11 | Q. They also go on to say, "But no | | |
| 12 | scientist has produced clinical or | | |
| 13 | biological proof that cigarettes cause the | | |
| 14 | diseases they are accused of causing"; correct? | | |
| 15 | THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry, | | |
| 16 | could you repeat that? | | |
| 17 | MR. O'FALLON: Sure. | | |
| 18 | Q. The document goes on to state, | | |
| 19 | quote, "That no scientist has provided clinical or | | |
| 20 | biological proof that cigarettes cause the | | |
| 21 | diseases they are accused of causing"; correct? | | |
| 22 | MR. WALLACE: Actually says | | |
| 23 | "produced," not "provided." | | |
| 24 | MR. O'FALLON: I'm sorry. Let me | | |
| 25 | read it one more time. | | |
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| 1 | Q. The document says, "No scientist | | |
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| 2 | has produced clinical or biological proof that | | |
| 3 | cigarettes cause the diseases they are accused of | | |
| 4 | causing"; is that correct? | | |
| 5 | A. That's what it says. | | |
| 6 | Q. And again, The American Tobacco | | |
| 7 | Company is not disclosing that they know there are | | |
| 8 | nitrosamines in cigarette smoke; correct? | | |
| 9 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, asked and | | |
| 10 | answered. | | |
| 11 | A. There has been no disclosure about | | |
| 12 | nitrosamines in smoke. | | |
| 13 | Q. They are not disclosing that as of | | |
| 14 | 1958 when they talk to other tobacco | | |
| 15 | manufacturers, they basically indicated they did | | |
| 16 | not think there was any dispute about causation of | | |
| 17 | lung cancer; correct? | | |
| 18 | MR. WALLACE: I'm sorry, are you | | |
| 19 | reading from something, Mr. O'Fallon? | | |
| 20 | MR. O'FALLON: No. | | |
| 21 | MR. WALLACE: Then I would like the | | |
| 22 | question to be read back, please. | | |
| 23 | MR. O'FALLON: Why? Is that a new | | |
| 24 | requirement, I have to read from something? | | |
| 25 | MR. WALLACE: No, it's not, | | |
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1
     Mr. O'Fallon.
                    MR. O'FALLON: Well then state your
3
     objection and stop interrupting me.
                    MR. WALLACE: Mr. O'Fallon, I'm
5
     entitled to understand what's going on here, and
     if I have some confusion or don't hear something
6
7
     myself, I'm entitled, I think, just as a normal
8
     business course to point that out to you.
9
                    MR. O'FALLON: You asked me whether
10
     I was reading from a document, sir. You're not
11
     entitled to know that.
12
                    Now listen to the questions and
13
     state a legitimate objection or be quiet.
                    MR. WALLACE: Madam reporter, would
14
15
    you please read back Mr. O'Fallon's last attempt
     at asking a question, please.
17
                    (Record read.)
18
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection. I think
19
     that's a total mischaracterization of the
20
     testimony to this point.
21
                    THE WITNESS: Say it again, the
22
    last part.
23
                    (Record read.)
24
                    Well, there was no -- we did not
25
     disclose anything in '58, yes, that's true, about
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1 causation of lung cancer. This is speaking now to biological 3 proof, which is different than what was referred to as causation in surgeon general's report. 5 Don't you think it's fair that most Q. 6 people who read this statement would draw from it 7 that the tobacco industry continues to contend 8 that lung cancer is not caused by cigarettes? 9 MR. WALLACE: Objection, calls for 10 speculation. 11 The document, if it's Exhibit 1129 12 we are now talking about, speaks for itself. No, I don't know what people are 13 A. 14 thinking. I can't speculate on that. 15 Q. It would certainly be reasonable for someone who is reading this ad to conclude 17 that American Tobacco was saying that the link between lung cancer and cigarettes had not been 18 19 proven and did not exist; correct? It's indicating that it has not 20 Α. 21 been proven biologically. 22 Q. And it would also be reasonable for 23 someone to conclude that the American Tobacco Company, at least, was telling them that there was no such link between cigarette smoking and lung 25 STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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cancer; correct?
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, the
     document speaks for itself, calls for
     speculation.
                   Well, I think that would be a
5
             A.
     really kind of a hard conclusion, in that it
7
     says -- it acknowledges the association between
8
     lung cancer and cigarettes, so that's there.
9
            Q. And it -- and it attributes that
10
     association the same strength as the association
11
     between lung cancer and divorce and lung cancer
12
     and lack of sleep; correct?
13
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, the
14
    document speaks for itself.
15
           A. That's what it says.
            Q. So, really, it's poking fun at that
     association, isn't it, sir?
17
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection,
18
     argumentative. The document speaks for itself,
19
20
     Mr. O'Fallon.
21
             A.
                I can't comment on whether it's
22
     poking fun or not. It just says that.
23
     Q. It's suggesting that the
     association is absurd, isn't it, sir?
25
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection.
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| 1 | Α. | It is certainly suggesting that the |
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| 2 | company disagr | ees with it. |
| 3 | Q. | Are you aware that in 1971, the |
| 4 | company or | at least individuals within the |
| 5 | company opposed | d doing immunological doing |
| 6 | testing concern | ning immunological aspects of |
| 7 | cancer? | |
| 8 | A. | I'm not aware of what you're asking |
| 9 | me. | |
| 10 | | MR. O'FALLON: I have asked to be |
| 11 | marked as an exhibit Bates stamp numbered ATX | |
| 12 | 090027268 through 270. | |
| 13 | | (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1130 was |
| 14 | marked for identification.) | |
| 15 | Q. | Is this a document you've seen |
| 16 | previously? | |
| 17 | A. | Yes, I saw that when it was |
| 18 | preproduced. | |
| 19 | Q. | Okay. So, you have had a chance to |
| 20 | review this document prior to today; correct? | |
| 21 | A. | Yes. |
| 22 | Q. | This document is dated February 1st |
| 23 | of 1971; correct? | |
| 24 | A. | Okay, right. |
| 25 | Q. | And it's to Dr. Robert B. Walker, |
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      chairman of the board and chief executive officer;
     right?
3
                   Mr. Walker, yes.
                   And he is -- and it's from Robert
             Ο.
 5
     K. Heimann; correct?
 6
             A. Right.
7
                   And Mr. Heimann is at this time the
             Q.
8
    president of American Brands, Inc.; correct?
             A. Yes, that's what it's saying.
9
             Q.
10
                   And apparently, Mr. Heimann as
11
     president of American Brands, Inc., also had some
     responsibility for the tobacco aspects of American
13
     Brands?
14
             Α.
                    Yes.
15
                   At number one, and when the subject
             Ο.
16
     is, quote, "Research Proposal to the Tobacco
     Industry on Immunological Aspects of Cancer";
17
18
     correct?
19
             Α.
                    Yes.
20
                    Mr. Heimann states, one, "Once we
             Q.
21
     start subsidizing a potential cure for cancer, we
22
    are well on the way towards assuming
23
     responsibility for the disease"; correct?
                    That's what it says.
             Α.
25
                   He then says, "This completely
             Q.
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1
     undercuts our position that tobacco smoke has not
     been proved to be a cause of lung cancer";
3
     correct?
                    That's what he said.
             Α.
 5
                   Now, in 1954 in the Frank
             Q.
     Statement, the industry said that it "accepted an
 6
7
     interest in people's health as a basic
     responsibility paramount to every other
8
9
     consideration in our business"; correct?
10
                   Yes, I see that paragraph.
             Α.
                   Isn't research subsidizing a
11
             Q.
12
     potential cure for cancer the exact type of
13
     research that the public had a right to expect the
     cigarette industry to be producing and subsidizing
14
15
     based on its statements in the 1954 Frank
16
     Statement?
17
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection, calls for
18
     speculation.
                    I don't know what the -- I don't
19
             Α.
     know what the public would be expecting, but there
20
21
     might be, at least in my mind, certainly a
     difference of doing research and finding out what
22
23
     causes disease, as opposed to a cure.
                    Especially if it undercuts the
             Q.
25
     tobacco industry's defense that it has not been
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proved that tobacco smoke is a cause of lung
     cancer, correct?
3
             Α.
                    Well, that's what he said.
                    Number two, he says, "The fact that
             Ο.
5
     this particular grant cannot be handled through
     the Scientific Advisory Board gives it the taint
7
     of illegitimacy"; correct?
8
             A. That's what it says.
9
                   And that would be true of any grant
             Q.
10
     that went outside of the SAB, correct, the
11
     Scientific Advisory Board?
12
            A. I can't speak to any grant.
13
     don't know exactly what the illegitimacy came
14
     from.
15
                    The fact of the matter is that when
             Q.
     you took out the Frank Statement in 1954 and set
17
     up the Tobacco Industry Research Committee and its
     successor, The Council for Tobacco Research, you
18
     indicated to the public that everything would be
19
20
     run through this independent board, this
21
     Scientific Advisory Board; correct?
22
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection. The Frank
23
     Statement which you've marked as an exhibit here,
     Mr. O'Fallon, speaks for itself.
                    MR. O'FALLON: Want to repeat that
25
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1
     question again?
                    THE WITNESS: Please.
3
                    (Record read.)
                    MR. WALLACE: I think it may
4
5
     also --
6
                   I don't know that it says we are
             Α.
7
     going to run everything through there. It says a
     group of distinguished men will be invited to
8
     serve on this board, there will be an advisory --
9
     disinterested to the cigarette industry.
10
11
                   No, I don't think that -- I don't
12
     believe that says it's taking everything through
13
     there.
14
                   You don't think it implies that
             Q.
15
     you're going to do this research in an objective
     manner, not as a defense of the industry?
17
                    MR. WALLACE: I'm sorry,
18
     Mr. O'Fallon.
                    Objection, vague and ambiguous.
19
20
    Are we speaking now about the Frank Statement or
21
     are we speaking about what you've marked as 1130?
22
                    Can we have some clarification.
23
                    MR. O'FALLON: You're not being
24
     asked the questions.
                    MR. WALLACE: No, sir, but I do
25
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| 1 | need to |
|----|--|
| 2 | MR. O'FALLON: If this gentleman |
| 3 | has a problem, I think he is perfectly able to |
| 4 | state that he doesn't understand the question. |
| 5 | The fact that you don't understand the question is |
| 6 | is really irrelevant because you're not under oath |
| 7 | and being asked. |
| 8 | MR. WALLACE: No, but I am |
| 9 | defending the deposition, sir, and I do have a |
| 10 | MR. O'FALLON: You're doing |
| 11 | something, that's for certain. |
| 12 | MR. WALLACE: You know, I didn't |
| 13 | interrupt you, Mr. O'Fallon, so I'd appreciate it |
| 14 | if you would not interrupt me, okay? |
| 15 | MR. O'FALLON: Actually, you did. |
| 16 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, vague and |
| 17 | ambiguous. You have taken this witness now |
| 18 | between two different documents, and then you come |
| 19 | back with a follow-up question that says "this" |
| 20 | and "that." |
| 21 | I think it's confusing, it's vague |
| 22 | and ambiguous, and I object. |
| 23 | MR. O'FALLON: I think "vague and |
| 24 | ambiguous" and "objection" will do it, sir. |
| 25 | Let's go back and read the |
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1
     question.
                    (Record read.)
3
                    THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Go off the
 4 record one minute, change tapes.
5
                    (Recess taken.)
6
                    MR. O'FALLON: Would you please
7
    reread the last question?
8
                    (Record read.)
9
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, vague and
10
     ambiguous and whatever it is you're referring to,
11
     it speaks for itself.
12
            Α.
                   I'm not sure now what you're
13
     referring to.
14
                   The Frank Statement, you would
             Q.
15
    agree that the Frank Statement gives the
     impression to the public that the research you do
     at TIRC is going to be objective and not a defense
17
18
     of the industry; correct?
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, asked and
19
20
     answered. Frank Statement speaks for itself.
21
                   MR. O'FALLON: Never heard a
22
    document talk, sir.
23
            A. It says "There will be an advisory
     board" and I agree that it says it will be done by
25
     scientists with "unimpeachable integrity and
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| 1 | national repute. | п |
|----|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 2 | Q. W | Without a direct interest in the |
| 3 | tobacco companie | es; right? |
| 4 | Α. Ι | don't see that anywhere there, |
| 5 | but in the di | sinterested in the cigarette |
| 6 | industry, yes, s | sir. |
| 7 | I | s that what you're saying yeah. |
| 8 | M | MR. O'FALLON: I'm going to have |
| 9 | marked as the ne | ext exhibit a document Bates stamp |
| 10 | numbered ATX 090 | 0029914 through 29915. |
| 11 | (| Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1131 was |
| 12 | marked | d for identification.) |
| 13 | Q. I | o you have the document in front |
| 14 | of you, sir? | |
| 15 | A. I | sure do. |
| 16 | Q. I | This is a document dated October 4 |
| 17 | of 1983 from the | e Vice President of Public Affairs |
| 18 | to numerous Amer | rican Brands subsidiaries; correct? |
| 19 | Α. Ί | That's correct. |
| 20 | Q. I | Included in those subsidiaries is |
| 21 | Gallaher Limited | l; correct? |
| 22 | A. W | Well, if I can find it. |
| 23 | Y | Yes, it is, Stewart Cameron. |
| 24 | Q. I | o you know who Mr. Cameron was? |
| 25 | A. W | Well, it says he's chairman, and I |
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| | | |

think that was true. Q. And what this was requesting is that Gallahers and others, including American Tobacco, answer whatever questions are attached in this letter; correct? 6 A. Yes. 7 Q. And this would be typical of the 8 interactions between Gallahers and American Brands, that is, when American Brands needed information from Gallahers, they could certainly 10 11 send out a memo and get that information; correct? MR. WALLACE: Objection. It 12 13 mischaracterizes the testimony. There's been no testimony to this point about what is typical in 14 15 this regard. A. I don't know how much -- how many 17 similar documents there are like this, but 18 certainly, Cameron is copied on this. Certainly, Gallaher was a subsidiary of American Brands; yes. 19 20 He is more than copied. I mean, Q. 21 this is sent directly to him and the other people, 22 right? 23 Excuse me, my phrasing. Ο. Were you aware that Gallahers had 25 made -- Gallaher had made public statements STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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concerning the association between tobacco smoking
     and toxicity?
3
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection, beyond the
     scope of the Deposition Notice and vague and
 5
     ambiquous.
 6
                   I was not aware until seeing the
             Α.
7
     notices that you had precopied us.
8
            Q. Okay. And I'm going to show you
9
     what we have had previously marked -- well,
     actually, I'm going to need this -- I need this
10
11
     remarked, because only part of this, I think, I
12
     believe was actually -- I would ask that this be
13
     marked, and the document I'm having marked is a
14
     document Bates stamp numbered 110083830 through
15
     831.
16
                    The reason I'm having it marked
17
     again is because this was produced as two separate
18
     documents, and I'm not certain whether when it was
     marked previously as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 40, both
19
20
     the first and second page were included.
21
                    So, with that caveat, if we could
22
     remark this exhibit.
23
                    (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1132 was
24
               marked for identification.)
25
                   And what's that exhibit number,
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1
     sir? I'm sorry.
                   It's 1132.
             Α.
3
             Q.
                   And you've seen Plaintiffs' Exhibit
     1132 previously; correct?
             A. Yes, I have.
Q. The first page of 1132 is Bates
5
6
7
     stamp numbered, last three numbers, 830.
8
             A. Okay.
9
                   And it states, "In view of our own
             Ο.
10
     worries about how to say some things in public,
     the attached letter from Gallahers is
11
     instructive"; correct?
12
             A. That's what it said.Q. So, "The statements are made that,"
13
14
15
    quote, "studies have shown that lung cancer death
    rate is almost directly related to the number of
17
     cigarettes consumed"; correct?
             A.
18
                   That's what it says.
             Q. And that, quote, "The toxicity of
19
20
    cigarettes can be regarded as the product of tar
21
    yield and specific activity"; correct?
22
             A. That's what it said.
23
             Q.
                   They then go on to state, "The
    first statement is clearly true, the second rather
     debatable, but the important points are that field
25
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1
     is on the medical register, Gallahers are a
     subsidiary of an American company, and Gallahers
     are members of ICOSI"; correct?
3
                   Yes, that's what it reads.
             Α.
5
             Q.
                    And then let's look at the second
6
     page.
7
                    This appears to be a reproduction
8
    of a page out of a journal known as "The Lancet"
9
     dated April 8th of 1978; correct?
10
             Α.
                   Yes.
11
             Q.
                   Are you familiar with The Lancet?
12
             Α.
                    Only vaguely.
13
             Q.
                    The Lancet is a British medical
14
     journal; correct?
15
                   I believe it to be, or at least an
             Α.
     associated field.
                   And under the "Substitute Tobacco
17
             Q.
     Tar Toxicity" is an apparent letter to the editor
18
     from Gallaher Limited; correct --
19
20
             Α.
                    Yes.
21
             Q.
                    -- signed by a Mr. Boxall and a
22
     Mr. Field; correct?
23
             A. That's right.
                   Are you familiar with those two
             Q.
25
     individuals?
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1
                   I know the name "Boxall," met him
     one time.
3
                   And was he in research and
             Q.
     development?
                 Yes, he was.
5
             Α.
6
                   How about Field; do you know who
             Q.
7
    that is?
8
                  Never heard of him.
             Α.
9
                   At the fourth paragraph of that
             Q.
10
     letter, Gallaher states, quote, "Epidemiological
     studies have shown that lung cancer death rate is
11
     almost directly related to the number of
12
13
     cigarettes consumed"; correct?
14
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection. That's a
15
    mischaracterization of this document.
16
                   You may answer.
17
             Α.
                   Yes, it reads that way.
18
                   Did American -- either American
             Q.
     Brands or American Tobacco ever make that
19
20
     statement to the consuming public in the United
21
     States?
22
                   I'm not aware of that.
             Α.
23
             Q.
                   Okay. These Gallaher employees
     also go on to state, quote, "The toxicity of
     cigarettes can be regarded as the product of tar
25
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yield and specific activity"; correct?
                   Yes, it reads that way.
             A.
3
             Q.
                   Did The American Tobacco Company or
     American Brands ever make that statement to the
5
      consuming public in the United States?
             A.
                    Not to my knowledge.
 6
7
                    MR. WALLACE: Mr. O'Fallon, we have
8
     been going about an hour and ten --
9
                    MR. O'FALLON: Want to take a
     five-or-ten-minute break?
10
                    THE WITNESS: Yeah.
11
12
                    (Recess taken.)
13
                   Mr. Price, I would like to turn
             Ο.
14
     next to the subject matter of addiction.
15
                   It's been the tobacco industry's
    position that cigarette smoking is not addictive;
17
     correct?
18
                    That's correct.
             Α.
                   In fact, the cigarette industry has
19
             Q.
20
     taken out advertisements that state that; correct?
21
                    MR. WALLACE: State an objection,
22
     to the extent this goes beyond the scope of the
23
     Notice requiring Mr. -- that brings Mr. Price here
     to speak with respect to his knowledge of American
25
     Tobacco, Mr. O'Fallon, and not the tobacco
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| 1 | industry as a w | hole. |
| 2 |] | MR. O'FALLON: You can answer. |
| 3 | • | THE WITNESS: Say it again, then. |
| 4 |] | MR. O'FALLON: Please repeat. |
| 5 | | (Record read.) |
| 6 | A. | I don't know what the cigarette |
| 7 | industry in gen | eral has done. |
| 8 | Q. | I would like to show you what's |
| 9 | been marked pre- | viously as Plaintiffs' Exhibit |
| 10 | 327. | |
| 11 | ı | This is a document Bates stamp |
| 12 | numbered MNAT 0 | 0639587. |
| 13 | | Have you seen this document before? |
| 14 | A. | I'm not sure that I have. |
| 15 | Q. | This is apparently published by The |
| 16 | Tobacco Institu | te; correct? |
| 17 | Α. | At the top okay, it says |
| 18 | "Tobacco Instit | ute," all right. |
| 19 | Q. | And American Tobacco Company is |
| 20 | part of the Tob | acco Institute; correct? |
| 21 | Α. | American Tobacco was in and out of |
| 22 | the Tobacco Ins | titute. I'm not sure I know the |
| 23 | dates. | |
| 24 | Q. | Do you know whether or not in 1988, |
| 25 | American Tobacc | o Company was part of the Tobacco |
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| 1 | Institute? |
|----|--|
| 2 | A. It may have been. I'm not sure. |
| 3 | Q. Okay. This is a document that |
| 4 | appears to have been produced out of the American |
| 5 | Tobacco Company files; correct? |
| 6 | A. Well, I can't tell that it has been |
| 7 | one way or another. |
| 8 | Q. Why don't you look at the bottom |
| 9 | where it says "MNAT 00639587." |
| 10 | A. Okay. |
| 11 | Q. Is it your understanding that |
| 12 | that's a Bates stamp number assigned by The |
| 13 | American Tobacco Company to documents produced in |
| 14 | Minnesota? |
| 15 | A. No, didn't know that. |
| 16 | Q. The basic thrust of this news |
| 17 | release is to contend that the surgeon general's |
| 18 | report issued in 1988 is incorrect when the |
| 19 | surgeon general concludes that cigarette smoking |
| 20 | is addictive; correct? |
| 21 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, compound. |
| 22 | The also, the document speaks for itself. |
| 23 | A. Let me read through this again. |
| 24 | (Pause) |
| 25 | Okay. Go ahead. |
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| 1 | Q. And again, the basic thrust of this |
|----|--|
| 2 | advertisement is that the surgeon general's |
| 3 | conclusions that cigarette smoking is addictive |
| 4 | are incorrect; correct? |
| 5 | MR. WALLACE: Same objection. |
| 6 | A. I think this is pointing out that |
| 7 | there are certainly differences in the definition |
| 8 | for "addiction." |
| 9 | Q. Well, it's specifically claiming |
| 10 | the surgeon general's conclusion is incorrect? |
| 11 | MR. WALLACE: Objection. The |
| 12 | document speaks for itself. |
| 13 | A. I don't think it says it's |
| 14 | incorrect, it's pointing out a different point of |
| 15 | view. |
| 16 | Q. Has The American Tobacco Company |
| 17 | ever stated to the American public that cigarette |
| 18 | smoking is addictive? |
| 19 | A. No, because we believe that it is |
| 20 | not. |
| 21 | Q. Has The American Tobacco Company |
| 22 | ever stated to the American public that nicotine |
| 23 | is a drug? |
| 24 | A. A drug in what sense, sir? |
| 25 | Q. Any sense, sir. |
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1
                  No. It's a chemical that's part of
     tobacco.
3
             Q.
                 Has the American industry ever
     pointed out to the American public that a
     cigarette is basically a drug-delivery device for
6
     nicotine?
7
                   Well, cigarette is certainly much
             Α.
8
    more than a drug-delivery device for nicotine.
9
     It's many things. There's the whole aura of
     smoking enjoyment, the societal benefits that one
10
11
     gets from it, relaxation, the use of one's hands
12
     and the enjoyment of seeing the smoke.
13
                   It's a whole concept, and taste is
14
    yet another great, big area.
            Q. Is the cigarette --
15
                  The industry has spent a lot of
17 time.
18
             Q. Is the cigarette a drug-delivery
19
     device for nicotine?
20
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, asked and
21
    answered.
22
            A.
                  No.
23
             Q.
                  And American has never stated to
     the public that it is; correct?
                   That is correct.
25
            Α.
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| 1 | Q. One of the reasons the industry is |
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| 2 | concerned about admitting addiction is because |
| 3 | addiction undercuts the industry's defense; |
| 4 | correct? |
| 5 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, assumes |
| 6 | facts not in evidence, beyond the scope of the |
| 7 | Deposition Notice. |
| 8 | A. I don't know about "industry's |
| 9 | defense," but American Tobacco company's position |
| 10 | is very similar to what's outlined in 1964 surgeon |
| 11 | general. |
| 12 | Q. Which has now been superseded by |
| 13 | the 1988 surgeon general's report; correct, sir? |
| 14 | A. Yes, they did redefine nicotine |
| 15 | addiction. |
| 16 | MR. O'FALLON: Please go off the |
| 17 | record for a second. |
| 18 | (Discussion off the stenographic |
| 19 | record.) |
| 20 | Q. I'm handing you a document that's |
| 21 | been previously marked, and we are going to fill |
| 22 | in the exhibit number for this document when we |
| 23 | get it. It was marked last week, but it's a |
| 24 | document Bates stamped TIMM 0107822 to 83. It's a |
| 25 | document dated September 9th, 1980. |
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| 1 | | Have you seen this document |
| 2 | previously? | |
| 3 | | MR. WALLACE: Take your time. |
| 4 | A. | Let me go over this for sure. |
| 5 | | (Pause) |
| 6 | | Okay. I'm not sure that I have |
| 7 | read that before | re, okay? |
| 8 | Q. | Have you had a chance to look at |
| 9 | that document : | now? |
| 10 | A. | Apparently, yes. |
| 11 | Q. | This is a document that deals with |
| 12 | a surprise tha | t the Tobacco Institute received |
| 13 | concerning the | National Institute of Drug Abuse; |
| 14 | correct? | |
| 15 | | MR. WALLACE: Objection. The |
| 16 | document speak | s for itself. |
| 17 | A. | It says that. |
| 18 | Q. | Specifically, it says, quote, |
| 19 | "Attached, ple | ase find the technical review of the |
| 20 | conference whi | ch led to Victor Cohn's," quote, |
| 21 | "Surprise," en | d quote, "story of 8/30 that the |
| 22 | National Insti | tute of Drug Abuse wants," quote, |
| 23 | "addictive," e | nd quote, "added to the cigarette |
| 24 | warning"; corr | ect? |
| 25 | A. | That's what it said. |
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1
                   The third paragraph also states,
     quote, "I wonder if the Institute was caught
3
     unaware on this matter"; correct?
                    Yes, sir.
             Α.
5
             Ο.
                    Let's go to the last page.
6
                    Oh, by the way, do you know who
7
     Mr. Kloepfer is?
8
                  Never heard of him.
             Α.
9
             Q.
                   How about Mr. Knopick --
10
                   No.
             Α.
                    -- or Knopick?
11
             Q.
12
             Α.
                    No.
13
             Q.
                    The last page, it states, quote, "I
14
     feel badly about my own lack of
15
     intelligence-gathering on this situation";
17
             Α.
                    Yes.
18
                   It then says, "But I don't think
             Q.
19
     the questions I now raise are academic"; correct?
20
                    Yes.
             Α.
21
              Q.
                    It says, "Shook, Hardy reminds us,
22
     I'm told, that the entire matter of addiction is
     the most potent weapon a prosecuting attorney can
     have in a lung cancer cigarette case"; correct?
25
                    That's what it said.
             Α.
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| 1 | Q. | And you understand who Shook, |
| 2 | Hardy; correct | ? |
| 3 | A. | I would assume that to be Shook, |
| 4 | Hardy & Bacon. | |
| 5 | Q. | And that's one of the long-time |
| 6 | legal counsel | for the tobacco industry; correct? |
| 7 | | MR. WALLACE: Objection. |
| 8 | A. | I'm sure they they represent |
| 9 | some people. | I don't know who. |
| 10 | Q. | But you've heard of them, right? |
| 11 | A. | I have heard of them before. |
| 12 | Q. | You've know of them for quite some |
| 13 | time? | |
| 14 | A. | Some years. |
| 15 | Q. | Finally, it says, quote, "We can't |
| 16 | defend the con- | tinued smoking as," quote, "free |
| 17 | choice, if the | person was, " quote, "addicted, " end |
| 18 | quote; correct | ? |
| 19 | Α. | That's what that concludes. |
| 20 | Q. | And you would agree that that's |
| 21 | true; right? | |
| 22 | Α. | No. |
| 23 | Q. | It would be hard for the cigarette |
| 24 | industry to ke | ep defending cigarette smoking as |
| 25 | free choice if | , in fact, cigarettes are addictive; |
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1
    correct?
                  Whether people -- whether
     cigarettes are addictive or not, by whatever
     definition, it's still a matter of free choice.
     It's a personal behavior. It's what people do. I
     don't look at that as a key at all, but then
7
    again, I'm not a lawyer.
8
          Q. I believe you said your current
9
    employer is the British-American Tobacco Company;
10
     correct?
11
                  My employer is Brown & Williamson
12
     Tobacco Company.
13
           Q. And they are owned by the
14
     British-American Tobacco industries; correct?
15
           A. B.A.T. Industries.
                  Actually, B.A.T. Industries,
            Q.
17
    right --
            A.
18
                Uh-huh.
-- which also owns British-American
19
            Q.
20
     Tobacco Company; correct?
21
            A. Right.
22
                  And you understand that early in
             Q.
23
    its history, B.A.T. Industries was, in fact, BAT
    Co; correct?
                  At one time, I believe so. I don't
25
            Α.
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know how they --
             Q. I'm going to show you a document
3
     that we are going to need to be marked. It's
     going to be -- it's Bates number 110070785 through
5
 6
                    (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1133 was
7
               marked for identification.)
8
                   MR. WALLACE: Appears to predate
9
     your employment.
10
                    MR. O'FALLON: I'm not going to
     ask about the whole document, sir, I'm only going
11
12
     to ask about part of it.
13
                   MR. WALLACE: I'm still going to
14
     ask that you take the time to skim it.
15
                   Have you seen this document
             Q.
     previously, sir?
             A.
17
                   I'm not sure that I have.
18
                   What I'm going to ask you to
             Q.
     specifically look at is really the first page, the
19
20
     second page and what's down here as the fourth
21
     page, the last three Bates numbers 791.
22
                   Huh. Give me the page numbers
             A.
23
     again. I was reading the introduction.
                   Sure. Just the first page.
             Ο.
25
                   Now, wait.
             Α.
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| 1 | Q. | The very first page of the |
| 2 | document. | |
| 3 | Α. | Where it says, "Research |
| 4 | Conference, page | age 1? |
| 5 | Q. | Right. And then substantively, |
| 6 | page, last thre | ee Bates numbers 791 well, and I |
| 7 | guess 788, too | , just to give background on 791. |
| 8 | A. | Okay. I've got 788, and then you |
| 9 | said 791? | |
| 10 | Q. | Uh-huh. |
| 11 | A. | This seems to be a continuation of |
| 12 | the paragraph l | here. |
| 13 | | Okay. I have whipped through that. |
| 14 | Q. | Okay. This is a research |
| 15 | conference from | m 1962; correct? |
| 16 | A. | Yes, sir. |
| 17 | Q. | And it appears to be a report on |
| 18 | that research | conference; correct? |
| 19 | A. | That's what it appears to be. |
| 20 | Q. | And if you look at the second page |
| 21 | of the document | t Bates number 786, it states, |
| 22 | "Research Confe | erence, Southampton, 1962 Smoking |
| 23 | and Health Pol: | icy on Research"; correct? |
| 24 | A. | Okay. |
| 25 | Ο. | Do you know who Sir Charles Ellis |
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| 1 | is? | |
| 2 | A. | No. |
| 3 | Q. | You've never heard that name? |
| 4 | Α. | I I'm just not reacting to it. |
| 5 | | MR. WALLACE: Mr. O'Fallon I'm |
| 6 | sorry. | |
| 7 | | Are you representing this to be an |
| 8 | American docum | ent or someone else's document? |
| 9 | | MR. O'FALLON: Excuse me, I have |
| 10 | never represen | ted this to be an American document. |
| 11 | | MR. WALLACE: Do you want to |
| 12 | establish any | foundation for who this document |
| 13 | belongs to or | where it came from or not? |
| 14 | | MR. O'FALLON: Is that an |
| 15 | objection? | |
| 16 | _ | MR. WALLACE: Yes, it is. |
| 17 | | MR. O'FALLON: Thank you. You see, |
| 18 | "Objection, fo | undation," that would convey most of |
| 19 | that to me. I | really don't need to be lectured by |
| 20 | | to do it. Make your objection. If |
| 21 | I think I need | to, I'll lay more foundation, okay, |
| 22 | sir? | • |
| 23 | | MR. WALLACE: There be a |
| 24 | misunderstandi | ng. I'm not attempting to lecture |
| 25 | | q, Mr. O'Fallon. I'm simply stating |
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| 1 | a point |
|----|--|
| 2 | MR. O'FALLON: The only |
| 3 | misunderstanding appears to be yours, sir. |
| 4 | MR. WALLACE: I don't think the |
| 5 | derogatory comments are necessary, Mr. O'Fallon. |
| 6 | Q. You notice at the bottom where it |
| 7 | says "BAT Co Limited," sir, do you see that? |
| 8 | MR. WALLACE: I'm not engaging in |
| 9 | any further colloquy with you. You are free to do |
| 10 | with my objection what you wish, sir. |
| 11 | MR. O'FALLON: So, if you have |
| 12 | any you know, you can look there's actually |
| 13 | usually Bates stamp numbers and such, sir. I know |
| 14 | you may not be completely familiar with our |
| 15 | litigation, but usually, that will tell you where |
| 16 | the document came from, okay? |
| 17 | MR. WALLACE: Sir, I will repeat |
| 18 | once again that I don't think your ad hominem, |
| 19 | insulting comments are appropriate, but that |
| 20 | doesn't seem to be doing any good. |
| 21 | MR. O'FALLON: Just wanted to make |
| 22 | sure you understand, because you seem to be |
| 23 | confused. |
| 24 | MR. WALLACE: I'm not confused |
| 25 | about anything, sir, I'm simply stating my |
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| 1 | objections. |
| 2 | MR. O'FALLON: And I would |
| 3 | appreciate it if you would do so in a succinct |
| 4 | fashion. |
| 5 | MR. WALLACE: I believe I am, sir. |
| 6 | MR. O'FALLON: Obviously, we |
| 7 | disagree about that, now don't we? |
| 8 | MR. WALLACE: I'm sure if we were |
| 9 | to sit down, sir, we'd discover that you and I |
| 10 | disagree about a great deal, but I have absolutely |
| 11 | no interest in doing that. |
| 12 | MR. O'FALLON: I suspect that's |
| 13 | absolutely correct. |
| 14 | MR. WALLACE: There are only so |
| 15 | many people on the face of the earth who can do |
| 16 | God's work as it is, I'm sure. |
| 17 | MR. O'FALLON: And you aren't one |
| 18 | of them. |
| 19 | Q. Now, let's go to page 4, which is |
| 20 | stamped at the bottom 791. |
| 21 | This is part of a presentation |
| 22 | that's being made apparently by Sir Charles Ellis; |
| 23 | correct? |
| 24 | A. Yes, sir. |
| 25 | Q. And I would like you to look at the |
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1
     first full paragraph on the top of page 4, last
     three Bates numbers 791.
3
             Α.
                    Wait, give me -- which paragraph
4
     again?
5
                   I'm sorry, the first full
             Q.
6
     paragraph.
7
             Α.
                   First full paragraph?
8
                   Do you see where we're at there?
             Q.
9
             Α.
                   Okay.
10
                   The first word is "lastly"?
             Q.
11
                    Okay. I've got that.
             Α.
12
             Q.
                    He states, quote, "Lastly, smoking
13
     is a habit of addiction that is pleasurable; many
     people, therefore, find themselves subconsciously
14
15
     prepared to believe that it must be wrong."
16
                    By 1962, it appears that at least
     some people in the industry believed that smoking
17
18
     is addictive; correct?
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection,
19
20
     misrepresents this document. The document, in
21
     fact, speaks for itself.
22
                    MR. O'FALLON: And the jury will
23
     have the document. They can reach their own
     conclusions.
24
25
                    I'm asking this gentleman the
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1
     question I've asked him.
                    MR. O'FALLON: And I've made an
3
     objection, sir.
                   I know -- read it again.
             Α.
5
                    Oh, sure.
             Ο.
                   You -- you -- you were -- ask me
 6
             Α.
7
     that question again.
8
            Q. Sure. Sir Charles Ellis states,
9
     quote, "Lastly, smoking is a habit of addiction
     that is pleasurable; many people, therefore, find
10
11
     themselves subconsciously prepared to believe that
12
     it must be wrong."
13
                    That what it states, correct?
14
             A.
                    That's what he read there.
15
                   And it would appear to be at least
             Q.
     some people then in 1962 within the tobacco
     industry believed that smoking is addictive;
17
18
     correct?
                    MR. WALLACE: Calls for
19
20
     speculation.
21
            A.
                   That -- that apparently is Sir
22
     Charles Ellis' opinion, and we certainly don't
23
    know by what rules or what definition of
     "addiction" he is referring to.
25
                   You would agree that at this time,
             Q.
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| | 13, |
|----|--|
| 1 | BAT Co, who produced this document, owned |
| 2 | Brown & Williamson; correct? |
| 3 | A. I'm assuming they did. I don't |
| 4 | actually know that. |
| 5 | Q. Let's look on page 787 |
| 6 | A. 787. |
| 7 | Q where it lists the delegates. |
| 8 | A. 787 yeah, I'm back. Okay. I |
| 9 | see what you're saying, uh-huh. |
| 10 | Q. Do you see the names listed under |
| 11 | USA? |
| 12 | A. Yeah. |
| 13 | Q. Are you familiar with any of those |
| 14 | people? |
| 15 | A. None of them work there now. |
| 16 | Q. Right. |
| 17 | A. I recognize the name of Griffith |
| 18 | and Esterle. |
| 19 | Q. How do you recognize the name of |
| 20 | Dr. Griffith? |
| 21 | A. Well, he was I believe he was |
| 22 | head of their research department at one time. |
| 23 | Q. And did you know him while you were |
| 24 | with American Tobacco, or have you subsequently |
| 25 | learned of him once you joined B&W? |
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| 1 | A. I knew of his name and had never |
| 2 | known him personally either before or now. |
| 3 | Q. You just knew him by reputation? |
| 4 | A. Heard of his name. |
| 5 | Q. How about Esterle; how did you know |
| 6 | Dr. Esterle? |
| 7 | A. I met him at TCRC meeting, Tobacco |
| 8 | Chemists Research Congress. |
| 9 | Q. So, it appears that at least two |
| 10 | employees of Brown & Williamson that you knew were |
| 11 | at this presentation given by Sir Charles Ellis; |
| 12 | correct? |
| 13 | A. Sure. |
| 14 | Q. I think we talked before about the |
| 15 | connection between American Tobacco Company and |
| 16 | Gallaher. |
| 17 | Did you know that American that |
| 18 | Gallaher had some contacts with a researcher named |
| 19 | Dr. Russell? |
| 20 | A. No, not until I seen the documents |
| 21 | you had premarked. |
| 22 | Q. Did you understand that Dr. Russell |
| 23 | was a researcher on the issues of addiction? |
| 24 | A. I was not familiar with |
| 25 | Dr. Russell, no. |
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1
                   Okay. Based on the documents that
     you saw as part of my predesignation, did you
     understand that at some point in time in
     approximately 1977, Gallaher was looking into
     doing some research with Dr. Russell?
             A.
                   I gathered that from there.
                    And just so the jury understands
7
             Q.
8
     what we're talking about, let me have marked a --
9
     oh, it's already been marked as Plaintiffs'
10
     Exhibit 41.
11
                    This is a letter dated July 15th,
     1977.
12
13
                    Is this one of the documents that
14
    you saw?
15
                   Yes.
            Α.
16
             Q.
                   And this is a document on the
     stationery of Gallaher Limited; correct?
17
                   Yes, it is.
18
             Α.
                   It's signed by an E.O. Field,
19
             Q.
20
     correct?
21
                   Certainly is.
             Α.
22
                    That's the same individual who
             Q.
23
     signed -- or who was listed on that letter to the
     editor from The Lancet; correct?
25
                   I -- it both says "E.O. Field."
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|----|-----------------|--|
| 1 | Q. | And basically, this document |
| 2 | indicates that | there were ongoing discussions |
| 3 | between Britisl | h-American Tobacco Company and |
| 4 | Gallaher Limite | ed concerning some research they |
| 5 | were proposing | that Dr. Russell do; correct? |
| 6 | | MR. WALLACE: The document speaks |
| 7 | for itself. | |
| 8 | A. | Well, it says, "Perhaps as soon as |
| 9 | Dr. Russell ge | ts back, we should organize a |
| 10 | meeting" yes | s, it says that. |
| 11 | Q. | Okay. Dr. Russell believes that |
| 12 | cigarette smok | ing was addictive; correct? |
| 13 | A. | I don't know what all Dr. Russell |
| 14 | believes. | |
| 15 | Q. | Let me show you a document that's |
| 16 | been previously | y marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit |
| 17 | 553. | |
| 18 | | Have you seen this document |
| 19 | previously? | |
| 20 | A. | Yes, I believe I have. |
| 21 | Q. | This is a document that's Bates |
| 22 | stamp numbered | 105392360 through 368 dated July |
| 23 | 17th, 1975; co | rrect? |
| 24 | A. | The date is July, '75; yes, sir. |
| 25 | Q. | And on the front page, it appears |
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that either Dr. -- it appears, I believe, that
      Dr. Ayres is sending a note to Dr. Green at BAT
 3
      indicating that enclosed is a copy of Kay Comer's
      summary of a talk given by M.A.H. Russell;
 5
      correct?
 6
                    Yes.
             Α.
 7
              Q.
                   It says, quote, "Since the question
 8
     of addiction comes up from time to time at
 9
     Chelwood, I thought you might be interested in the
     comments"; correct?
10
11
                    Oh, yeah, that's what it said
             Α.
12
     there.
13
             Q.
                   Let's go look at what Dr. Russell
     had to say as reported by Ms. Comer.
14
15
                    I have asked you to look at the
    next -- at the first page of the attached document
17
     Bates number 105392361.
18
                    Do you have that?
19
              Α.
                    Okay.
20
                    It's entitled "Comments of a Talk
             Ο.
21
     Given by Dr. M.A.H. Russell at a Meeting of the
22
     Experimental Pathology Club at the Imperial Cancer
23
     Research Fund Buildings London, attended by
     Mrs. A.K. Comer and Dr. R.E. Thornton on 27, June,
25
     1975"; correct?
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1
                   Yes, sir, that's what it says.
                    The very first sentence of the very
             Q.
3
     first paragraph states that "Dr. Russell works in
     the Addiction Research Unit, Institute of
      Psychiatry Maudsley Hospital, London"; correct?
 5
             A.
 6
                    Maudsley, okay.
7
                    The second sentence -- the second
             Q.
8
     paragraph then says, quote, "The talk which
9
     Dr. Russell gave seemed to be based on a paper
     which he published last year, and he began by
10
11
     quoting the opening sentence to this paper";
12
     correct?
13
             Α.
                    Well, that's what it's saying.
14
                    And his opening sentence is, quote,
             Q.
15
     "Cigarette smoking is probably the most addictive
     and dependence-producing form of object-specific,
     self-administered gratification known to man";
17
18
     correct?
19
                   That's what it says. I don't know
     that I understand all that.
20
21
             Q.
                   Well, basically, what he is saying
22
      is that cigarette smoking is addictive; correct?
23
             Α.
                  Well --
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection.
25
     document speaks for itself.
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                   He has a quoted opinion there.
                   Well, let's go down to the
             Q.
     paragraph where it says, "Dr. Russell began by
     comparing cigarette addiction with that produced
5
     with other drugs."
                    Do you see that?
7
                    Where is -- okay.
             Α.
8
                   It says, "Dr. Russell began by
9
     comparing cigarette addiction with that produced
     by other drugs. He stated three out of four
10
11
     smokers have tried to or wished to give up
12
      smoking, but only one in four are successful in
13
     stopping permanently"; correct?
14
                   Okay.
             Α.
15
                   And you would agree that that's
             Q.
16
     basically true; correct?
17
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection, no
18
     foundation.
                   I don't know whether it's true or
19
             Α.
20
     not, and personally, I don't even believe that
21
     that is true.
22
                    Do you have any understanding or
             Q.
23
     has American Tobacco done any research on the
     number of people who have tried to give up smoking
25
     compared to the number of people who actually have
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| 1 | given up smoking? |
| 2 | A. Not to my knowledge. |
| 3 | Q. So, you don't have any information |
| 4 | which would dispute that claim; correct? |
| 5 | A. No, nor do I have any that proves |
| 6 | it, either. |
| 7 | Q. Is that because you at American |
| 8 | Tobacco never did any research on that subject? |
| 9 | A. We were not qualified to do that. |
| 10 | Q. You could have hired it out; |
| 11 | correct? |
| 12 | A. We could have, yes. |
| 13 | Q. You could have found people who |
| 14 | were capable of doing that research; correct? |
| 15 | A. That's right. |
| 16 | Q. American Tobacco never spent that |
| 17 | money, did they? |
| 18 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, assumes |
| 19 | facts not in evidence. There have been no |
| 20 | questions along that line to this point. If you |
| 21 | ask him, you may actually discover what the facts |
| 22 | are? |
| 23 | MR. O'FALLON: Is that an |
| 24 | objection, sir? |
| 25 | MR. WALLACE: Any time I open my |
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1
     mouth, it's going to be an objection. You don't
     need to ask me that.
                    MR. O'FALLON: Then why don't you
3
     say "objection," and just limit it to the --
                    MR. WALLACE: I'm looking at the
5
     text here, it began with "Objection."
6
                    MR. O'FALLON: Short basis, okay?
7
8
                     MR. WALLACE: That will be your
9
     red flag that it's an objection, sir.
                    MR. O'FALLON: I understand that
10
     you like to make long-winded speeches about your
11
12
     objections.
13
                    MR. WALLACE: It was three lines.
14
                    MR. O'FALLON: That's three lines
15
     too many.
16
                    MR. WALLACE: Well, that's your
     opinion, Mr. O'Fallon, and you seem to have a lot
17
     of them and you seem to express them quite
18
19
     vituperatively, and I'm sure you will continue to.
20
                    MR. O'FALLON: Are you done now?
                    MR. WALLACE: I'm no longer
21
22
     speaking. That would lead you to believe that I'm
23
     done, sir, yes.
                    MR. O'FALLON: Thank you. Why
25
     don't we have that read back?
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| 1 | (Record read.) |
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| 2 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, vague and |
| 3 | ambiguous. |
| 4 | A. I don't really even know what |
| 5 | money, because we didn't have any money |
| 6 | allocated wasn't anything not to spend. |
| 7 | Q. Well, certainly, the corporation |
| 8 | had plenty of funds at its proposal at its |
| 9 | disposal to fund that research, if it chose to |
| 10 | fund that research; correct? |
| 11 | A. I'm sure, and since we didn't |
| 12 | believe that nicotine was addicting, it didn't |
| 13 | seem like there was any sense in carrying that |
| 14 | out. |
| 15 | Q. No sense |
| 16 | A. But having said that, that's my |
| 17 | opinion. |
| 18 | Q. No sense to go gather facts about |
| 19 | that? |
| 20 | MR. WALLACE: He's not finished. |
| 21 | Please let him complete his response. |
| 22 | A. There was a policy decision made in |
| 23 | the president's office, not in R&D. |
| 24 | Q. So, it's your testimony that the |
| 25 | policy decision not to spend money on researching |
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addiction was made at the highest levels of the
     company; correct?
                    MR. WALLACE: Assumes facts not in
     evidence, calls for speculation.
 5
                   Office of the president --
                    MR. WALLACE: Excuse me, sorry.
 6
7
     Assumes facts not in evidence, calls for
     speculation. I'm sorry, Byron. Go ahead.
8
9
                   In American Tobacco, anything to do
10
     with the policy was set by the office of
11
     president, so anything I say on that has to be
12
     couched with the -- with that statement, because I
13
     wasn't involved with that.
14
             Q. Dr. Russell then apparently went on
15
     to state that, quote, "After smoking one
     cigarette, only 15 percent of people avoid
17
     becoming dependent on cigarettes"; correct?
18
             A. Only 15 percent. Okay, that's what
19
     it says.
20
                   And the next paragraph, he says,
             Q.
21
     "Of 500 American veterans of the Vietnam war who
22
     had taken heroin, 7 percent were dependent on the
23
     drug and 66 percent had stopped taking it all
     together"?
25
                    That's what he said.
             Α.
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| 1 | Q. Of 7,000 cannabis smokers, 20 |
| 2 | percent were found to be drug-dependent, 27 |
| 3 | percent had been able to stop smoking cannabis, 25 |
| 4 | percent smoked occasionally, and 7 percent took |
| 5 | the drug more than three times a week"; correct? |
| 6 | A. That's what it says. |
| 7 | Q. It then goes on to state, quote, |
| 8 | "This is said to indicate that other drugs are not |
| 9 | nearly as dependent-producing as tobacco"; |
| 10 | correct? |
| 11 | A. That's what it said. |
| 12 | Q. "Even" |
| 13 | A. Provided you buy into that, okay? |
| 14 | Q. Well, this is an expert that |
| 15 | apparently Gallaher is consulting with; correct? |
| 16 | A. Uh-huh okay. |
| 17 | MR. WALLACE: Objection. I think |
| 18 | that mischaracterizes the testimony in the record |
| 19 | evidence at this point. |
| 20 | A. I don't know that they have |
| 21 | actually signed a contract or doing any direct |
| 22 | work yet. It's a conference. |
| 23 | Q. It then goes on to state, quote, |
| 24 | "Even heroin addicts rate cigarette smoking as |
| 25 | their most, " quote, "needed, " end quote, "drug"? |
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| 1 | A. "Most needed drug," that's what it |
| 2 | says. Sounds like a strange conclusion to me |
| 3 | though. |
| 4 | Q. You would agree that Dr. Russell is |
| 5 | imminently more qualified to make that conclusion |
| 6 | than you are; correct? |
| 7 | A. He certainly is, but I'm certainly |
| 8 | free to my opinion. |
| 9 | MR. O'FALLON: I would next like to |
| 10 | mark an exhibit Bates stamp numbered 100503495 |
| 11 | through 3506. |
| 12 | (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1134 was |
| 13 | marked for identification.) |
| 14 | Q. Have you seen this document |
| 15 | previously? |
| 16 | A. Yes, I believe I did. |
| 17 | Q. And just for the record, what is |
| 18 | the exhibit number that was given to this |
| 19 | document? |
| 20 | A. 1134. |
| 21 | O. Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1134 is a |
| 22 | document that's been produced by BAT Co Limited, |
| 23 | and it's authored by a gentleman named Colin |
| 24 | Greig. |
| 25 | Do you know who Dr. Greig is? |
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| 1 | A. | No. |
| 2 | Q. | You've never heard that name? |
| 3 | A. | No. |
| 4 | Q. | Let's look at page 496, last three |
| 5 | Bates numbers. | |
| 6 | | At the top is entitled "Structural |
| 7 | Creativity Gro | up, Thoughts by C.C. Greig, R&D, |
| 8 | Southampton Ma: | rketing Scenario." |
| 9 | | He states, "Before starting on any |
| 10 | future scenario | o, let us look at what we are |
| 11 | currently sell | ing and where and how it was |
| 12 | developed." | |
| 13 | | MR. WALLACE: "Has developed." |
| 14 | | MR. O'FALLON: "Has developed." |
| 15 | Q. | He then states, quote, "A cigarette |
| 16 | as a drug-admin | nistration system for public use has |
| 17 | very, very sign | nificant advantages"; correct? |
| 18 | A. | Yeah. |
| 19 | Q. | He says, "Speed, within 10 seconds |
| 20 | of starting to | smoke, nicotine is available in the |
| 21 | brain"; correct | t? |
| 22 | A. | That's what he said. |
| 23 | Q. | You would agree with that |
| 24 | statement; cor: | rect? |
| 25 | A. | Probably so. |
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                   The last sentence of that section
     entitled "Speed," says, quote, "Other drugs, such
     as marijuana, amphetamines and alcohol are slower
     and may be mood-dependent"; correct?
                    MR. WALLACE: "Drugs" is in
     quotation marks, Mr. O'Fallon, so --
7
            A. It reads that way.
8
                   And you would agree with that;
             Q.
9
     correct?
10
             A.
                   I have no knowledge about that, but
     I have to say at this time.
11
12
             Q. Excuse me?
13
             Α.
                   Trying to characterize a drug
14
     administration system like that -- a cigarette is
15
     just not a drug-administration system. It's a
     whole concept. It's not the same thing.
17
             Q.
                   Apparently, Mr. Greig would
18
     disagree with you?
                   Well, that's fine, but there's just
19
             Α.
20
     too much to smoking.
21
                   If there's a drug addiction system,
22
     people would -- they can get nicotine in some
23
     other form, and they wouldn't need to be smoking.
                   You would agree that nicotine is --
25
     that cigarette smoke taken into the lung is the
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| 1 | most efficient way to deliver nicotine; correct? |
| 2 | A. I'm not sure that it is. |
| 3 | Q. Nicotine gets to the brain faster |
| 4 | via the lung than it does through any other route |
| 5 | of administration; isn't that correct? |
| 6 | A. It may be, but to characterize it |
| 7 | as an administration system, that's just wrong. |
| 8 | Q. And you would agree that nicotine |
| 9 | is a drug; right? |
| 10 | A. Some people may characterize it |
| 11 | that. |
| 12 | Q. You would agree |
| 13 | A. It's certainly a chemical that's in |
| 14 | tobacco, too. |
| 15 | Q. You would agree that smokers can |
| 16 | titrate their level of nicotine; correct? |
| 17 | A. I don't think so. |
| 18 | Q. Did American Tobacco ever do any |
| 19 | studies concerning whether or not smokers smoke |
| 20 | for a certain specific dose of nicotine? |
| 21 | A. No. |
| 22 | Q. Why not? |
| 23 | A. Well, I quess we didn't see any |
| 24 | need to. |
| | |
| 25 | Q. Didn't want to spend that money; |
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| 1 | right? |
|----|--|
| 2 | A. I don't think it has to do with |
| 3 | that. We've spent a lot of money to design a |
| 4 | cigarette. It has taste, it has a nice look, and |
| 5 | that people enjoy smoking. If they wanted, they |
| 6 | can get cigars they can smoke all sorts of |
| 7 | other things. |
| 8 | Q. You usually don't inhale cigar |
| 9 | smoke into your lung, do you, sir? |
| 10 | A. I don't. Some people do. |
| 11 | Q. You understand that more nicotine |
| 12 | is absorbed through the lung than is absorbed |
| 13 | through the oral cavity, the mouth; correct, sir? |
| 14 | A. I don't know that for sure. |
| 15 | Q. Do you think American knew that? |
| 16 | A. Don't know. |
| 17 | Q. Think they should? |
| 18 | A. No. |
| 19 | Q. Don't think it would be helpful for |
| 20 | a company who sells a product that makes billions |
| 21 | of dollars a year to know something about that |
| 22 | product? |
| 23 | MR. WALLACE: Objection as to |
| 24 | form. |
| 25 | Objection. The question is |
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argumentative.
             A. The notion of the company doing
     work that it's -- on addiction or some sort of
     dose response, it's not capable of doing that. We
     don't -- we didn't have those facilities in-house.
             Q. You could have acquired those
     facilities if you chose to; correct?
7
8
            A. Probably so.
9
                   You just -- and again, "you"
             Ο.
10
     meaning The American Tobacco Company and American
11
     Brands -- simply chose not to spend that money;
12
     correct?
13
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection. I don't
14
    think there's been any testimony to this point
15
     about that, and I think you're misrepresenting the
     record evidence and his testimony.
17
             Α.
                   I don't know if that's true or not
18
    true. All I know, it's a policy decision made by
     the office of president.
19
20
                   At the highest levels of the
             Q.
21
    company?
22
             Α.
                  Absolutely.
23
                  Let's look on page 497. Mr. Greig
     talks about the future.
25
                    Do you see that paragraph?
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                   "The future" with a question mark,
     okay.
3
                   He says, "Thus, we have an emerging
              Q.
     picture of a fast, highly pharmacologically
5
     effective and cheap, "parenthetical, "drug, "end
6
     parenthetical, comment --
7
                    MR. WALLACE: It's not a
8
    parenthetical, it's a quote.
9
                    MR. O'FALLON: I'll start again.
10
     Thank you for your correction.
                   Quote, "Thus we have an emerging
11
            Q.
12
     picture of a fast, highly pharmacologically
13
     effective and cheap, " quote, "drug, " end quote,
     "tobacco, which also confers flavor and manual and
14
15
     oral satisfaction to the user. There are no" --
     "there are other things about tobacco, though. It
17
     is legal, as is alcohol, but not marijuana and
     LSD, and the articles themselves are eminently
18
19
     portable"; correct?
20
                    That's what it said.
             Α.
21
              Q.
                    Okay. Let's look at the very last
     page of this document with writing on it. There's
22
     a last page that doesn't have writing, Bates
     number, last three -- last four numbers, 3505.
24
25
                    Do you see that?
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| 1 | A. Okay. |
| 2 | Q. This is his summary; correct? |
| 3 | A. It says "Summary." |
| 4 | Q. It says, "So, give them what they |
| 5 | want" strike that. |
| 6 | "So, give them what they seem to |
| 7 | want, taste and value. And always remember that, |
| 8 | while King James the I issued his famous |
| 9 | Counterblaste to Tobacco in 196" "in 1604, it |
| 10 | is nicer from our point of view to remember Oscar |
| 11 | Wilde's words in, guote, "The Picture of Dorian |
| 12 | Gray in 1891," and then it gives the quote. |
| 13 | Quote, "A cigarette is the perfect |
| 14 | type of a perfect pleasure. It is exquisite and |
| 15 | it leaves one unsatisfied. What more could one |
| 16 | want?" |
| 17 | Could you agree with that? |
| 18 | MR. WALLACE: Hold on a second. |
| 19 | Are you asking whether you've read it correctly or |
| 20 | whether he agrees with it, what's read? |
| 21 | MR. O'FALLON: I'm asking if |
| 22 | whether he agrees with Dorian Gray with Oscar |
| 23 | Wilde. |
| 24 | MR. WALLACE: Objection as to the |
| 25 | lack of foundation. I don't think you've |
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established he ever read Oscar Wilde, "The Picture of Dorian Gray." 3 MR. O'FALLON: Well, let's go back and restate the question, since counsel seems to 5 have some problems. MR. WALLACE: I don't have any 6 7 problems, Mr. O'Fallon, I have an objection, and I have stated it, and I'm tired of you referring to 8 9 my objections as "problems" and "interruptions." 10 They are objections. 11 MR. O'FALLON: Are you done? MR. WALLACE: Once again, you 12 13 should view me stopping speaking as being done, 14 which I did. 15 MR. O'FALLON: Good. 16 Would you agree with the quote from Q. Dorian Gray written by Oscar Wilde that, quote, "A 17 cigarette is the perfect type of a perfect 18 pleasure. It is exquisite and it leaves one 19 20 unsatisfied. What more can one want"? 21 A. I don't know that I agree with 22 that. 23 Mr. Greig goes on to say, "Let us provide the exquisitness, and hope that they, our consumers, continue to remain unsatisfied. All we 25 STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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would want then is a larger bag to carry the money
     to the bank."
3
                    Would you agree with that?
                    MR. WALLACE: Well, hold on a
5
     second before you answer.
 6
                    No.
             Α.
7
                    MR. WALLACE: Are you asking
8
     whether Mr. Prices agrees you've read it
     correctly, Mr. O'Fallon, or whether he agrees with
9
     the sentiments expressed therein.
10
                   MR. O'FALLON: You know, sir, I
11
12
     don't think my question is all that vague. I'm
     asking whether he agrees with the statements.
13
14
                    MR. WALLACE: Well, I don't care
15
    whether you think it's vague or not, I did, and
    that's the basis for the objection. You proceed
17
     at your own peril, sir. Go ahead.
18
                    MR. O'FALLON: Yeah, my own peril
19
     from you.
                    Let's go back.
20
21
                  Once again, let me clarify. Do you
             Q.
22
     agree with the following statement made by
23
     Mr. Greig in this document, quote, "Let us provide
     the exquisitness, and hope that they, our
25
     consumers, continue to remain unsatisfied. All we
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would want then is a larger bag to carry the money
     to the bank"?
3
             Α.
                    No, I don't agree with that.
                    MR. O'FALLON: Why don't we take a
     lunch break then and be back at 1:00, if that's
5
6
     acceptable.
7
                    MR. WALLACE: Be back at 1:15.
8
                    MR. O'FALLON: Whatever.
9
                    (Luncheon recess - 12:00 p.m. to
     1:20 p.m.)
10
11
     CONTINUED BY MR. O'FALLON:
12
           Q. Mr. Price, are you ready to
13
     proceed?
14
                   Sure.
             Α.
15
                   I just want to make one clarifying
             Ο.
     statement to clarify the record.
17
                    Earlier, I had shown you a document
    that was Bates stamped TIMN 0107822 through 823
18
     dated September 9th of 1980, and I stated that
19
20
     that document had been previously marked in a
     Reynolds deposition.
21
22
                    At lunch, counsel for Lorillard was
23
     kind enough to provide me with the number for
     that, and that was Plaintiffs' 113, so just so the
25
     record is clear --
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                    MR. WALLACE: That's 1113.
                   MR. O'FALLON: Oh, I'm sorry.
     You're right, 1113. Thank you.
3
                    MR. WALLACE: That was marked
5
     during the RJR Dep. on Friday?
                    MR. O'FALLON: Right -- just so we
6
7
     have consistency on the numbers.
8
                   MR. WALLACE: Sure. All right.
9
     Thank you.
10
                   I would now like to turn to the
            Q.
11
     issue of research and development activities.
12
             A. Okay.
13
             Q.
                   I would like to hand you a document
14
     that's been previously marked as Plaintiffs'
15
     Exhibit 32.
                   MR. WALLACE: Thank you.
17
             Q.
                   This is a document Bates stamp
18
     numbered 0000126972 through 6984. It's a document
19
     produced by Philip Morris.
20
                    I'm going to ask you to look at
21
    this document, and I'm going to read some
22
     statements in it and ask if you agree.
23
                    This is from a -- from an
     H. Wakeham.
24
25
                    Do you know who Helmut Wakeham is?
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| 1 | Α. | Helmut Wakeham. |
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| 2 | Q. | And he was a researcher with Philip |
| 3 | Morris; correc | t? |
| 4 | Α. | That's correct. |
| 5 | Q. | At one point, was he the head of |
| 6 | the research d | ivision? |
| 7 | A. | Yes, he was. |
| 8 | Q. | And are you familiar with him? |
| 9 | A. | Yes, I'm familiar with him. |
| 10 | Q. | He states in the first paragraph |
| 11 | that "Most Phi | lip Morris products, both tobacco |
| 12 | and nontobacco | , are directly related to the health |
| 13 | field." | |
| 14 | | THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry, |
| 15 | could you repe | |
| 16 | Q. | He said, "Most Philip Morris |
| 17 | products, both | tobacco and nontobacco, are |
| 18 | directly relat | ed to the health field." |
| 19 | Α. | Okay. |
| 20 | Q. | Would you agree with that |
| 21 | statement? | |
| 22 | Α. | Well, no, I can't agree or |
| 23 | disagree. I m | ean, that's what it says, but I know |
| 24 | | on't know what he's talking about. |
| 25 | Q. | As a representative of American |
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| 1 | Tobacco Company, would you believe or agree that |
| 2 | tobacco, in particular, is directly related to the |
| 3 | health field? |
| 4 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, vague and |
| 5 | ambiguous. |
| 6 | A. I don't make that connection, no. |
| 7 | Q. And he goes on to say, "Consumer |
| 8 | health is a focal point of interest and concern to |
| 9 | the general public and to the government. The |
| 10 | trend is a natural one which attends an affluent |
| 11 | society." |
| 12 | Would you agree with that? |
| 13 | A. Those are Mr. Wakeham's |
| 14 | statements. I don't really "consumer health is |
| 15 | a focal point." |
| 16 | Okay. "Consumer health is a focal |
| 17 | point and concern to the general public" sure, |
| 18 | that's nice. That's all right. I'm sorry. |
| 19 | Q. Do you think it should also be a |
| 20 | focal point of interest for American Tobacco |
| 21 | Company? |
| 22 | A. Consumer health? |
| 23 | Q. Yes. |
| 24 | A. You mean in general? |
| 25 | Q. Yes. |
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             Α.
                   Sure.
                   And specifically, as it relates to
             Q.
3
     American Tobacco's products, do you believe it
     should be a focal point?
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                    Yeah, I think that was stated.
                    Do you think it was -- it goes on
 6
             Q.
     to say that -- "There is every indication that
7
     technically, sociologically and economically, we
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9
     will have to deal with" --
10
                    THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry.
11
     Could you slow down a little, please?
12
             Q. "There is every indication that
13
     technically, sociologically and economically, we
     will have to deal with an ever-increasing concern
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15
     for the health aspects of our products.
     Consequently, if R&D is to fulfill its technical
17
     responsibilities, we will require significantly
     increased capabilities to investigate the health
18
      implications, not only in tobacco, but also in
19
20
     gum, confections and the medical products field."
21
                    Let me just ask you: Do you agree
22
     as to American Tobacco that in order for you to
23
     fulfill your technical responsibility, you needed
     significantly increased capabilities to
     investigate the health implications of tobacco?
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| MR. WALLACE: Objection as to | |
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| form. | |
| A. Me as a researcher worked in | a |
| chemical laboratory. We didn't investigate | |
| health-related capabilities. | |
| Q. And at any time during your t | enure |
| with the American Tobacco Company, did Ameri | can |
| Tobacco conduct in-house research on the hea | lth |
| effects of its products? | |
| MR. WALLACE: Objection, aske | d and |
| answered. | |
| A. I think, as I understand it, | we do |
| in-house biological research; is that what y | ou're |
| saying? | |
| Q. Actually, my question is: Di | d you |
| do in-house research on the health aspects o | f |
| tobacco? | |
| A. No, sir. | |
| Q. Would you agree that a compan | y has |
| an obligation and duty to investigate its ow | n |
| products and determine any health problems w | ith |
| its own products? | |
| MR. WALLACE: Objection, to t | he |
| extent the question calls for a legal conclu | sion. |
| A. The company certainly has a | |
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| | A. Me as a researcher worked in chemical laboratory. We didn't investigate health-related capabilities. Q. And at any time during your twith the American Tobacco Company, did Ameri Tobacco conduct in-house research on the heat effects of its products? MR. WALLACE: Objection, asked answered. A. I think, as I understand it, in-house biological research; is that what y saying? Q. Actually, my question is: Did do in-house research on the health aspects of tobacco? A. No, sir. Q. Would you agree that a company an obligation and duty to investigate its own products and determine any health problems we its own products? MR. WALLACE: Objection, to the extent the question calls for a legal conclumation. A. The company certainly has a STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES |

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     responsibility to have concern for its customers.
                  Does it have an obligation to
             Q.
3
      undertake investigation in order to determine any
     dangers of its products?
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection as to
 5
     form. Objection to the extent it calls for a
 6
7
     legal conclusion.
8
                   I don't know that the -- it has an
             Α.
9
     obligation to carry out its own work. It can
     certainly go and sponsor work, and that would, I
10
     think, fit that -- fit that scenario.
11
12
             Q.
                Did American Tobacco fund work
13
     other than its funding of the work done by --
14
                   MR. O'FALLON: Let's go off the
15
     record.
16
                    (Discussion off the stenographic
17
     record.)
18
                   Other than the funding that
             Q.
     American Tobacco gave to The Council for Tobacco
19
20
     Research, which was also known as TIRC, did
21
     American fund any other outside smoking and health
22
     research?
23
                   We had -- American had funded a
     continuing program at the Medical College of
25
     Virginia from somewhere in the 19 -- late 1930s on
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     up, and I'm not exactly sure, but somewhere into
     the very late '70s.
3
             Q.
                    And did that work specifically
      involve the health aspects of smoking?
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection as to
 5
 6
     form.
7
                    THE WITNESS: Tell me a little more
8
     what you mean by "health aspects."
9
             Q. Did you look at the issue of
10
     whether cigarette smoking caused cancer?
             A. The program at the Medical College
11
12
     of Virginia was carried out completely by them and
     dealt with many different aspects. Whether there
13
     was any specifically on cancer causation, I don't
14
15
     recall, but this -- papers from -- the work from
     this program was all published in reputable
17
      journals.
18
                    MR. O'FALLON: Move to strike as
19
     non-responsive.
20
             Ο.
                    As best you can recall, the Medical
21
     College of Virginia research did not involve
22
     specific research concerning whether cigarette
23
     smoke caused cancer?
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection.
25
     question has been asked and answered.
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| 1 | You can answer, Mr. Price |
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| 2 | THE WITNESS: Okay. |
| 3 | MR. WALLACE: again. |
| 4 | A. I don't know specifically whether |
| 5 | it had a direct link to the direct work on cancer |
| 6 | causation. Some of the research may have been, |
| 7 | but it was a wide spectrum of work. All has been |
| 8 | published, to my knowledge. |
| 9 | Q. Did American ask the Medical |
| 10 | College of Virginia to look specifically at the |
| 11 | issue of whether cigarette smoking causes |
| 12 | emphysema? |
| 13 | A. I don't know that. |
| 14 | Q. Did American Tobacco Company ask |
| 15 | the Medical College of Virginia to determine |
| 16 | whether or not cigarette smoking causes heart |
| 17 | disease? |
| 18 | A. I don't believe I don't know |
| 19 | that for sure. |
| 20 | Q. Did The American Tobacco Company |
| 21 | ask the Medical College of Virginia to determine |
| 22 | whether or not cigarette smoking causes |
| 23 | obstructive lung disease? |
| 24 | A. I don't know that either. This |
| 25 | research was not guided not to be guided |
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specifically by The American Tobacco Company, to
      the best of my knowledge.
3
                   And it's your testimony that all
             Q.
     the research that was done at the Medical College
 5
     of Virginia on behalf of the American Tobacco
 6
     Company has been published?
7
                    MR. WALLACE: Asked and answered.
8
     That's what the man said.
9
                   To the best of my knowledge, yes.
            Α.
10
     I don't know -- I would not have known was there
11
     work that was not published, but I do know that a
12
      lot was.
13
                   So, you can't testify with any
             Q.
14
     certainty that all the work done on behalf of
15
     American Tobacco has been published; correct?
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection, asked and
17
     answered.
18
                    I think now you're
19
     mischaracterizing his testimony, sir.
20
             A. I can't -- with certainty -- I can
21
     have some certainty, but I don't know a hundred
     percent, but maybe 90, I don't know that, but I do
22
23
     know that most of it was, for sure.
             Ο.
                   Do you know whether when that work
25
     was published, American Tobacco funding was
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attributed in those publications? I don't know. There were -- there were summaries printed up that biological work funded in whole or in part by American Tobacco 5 Company. Whether that was an attributation on all publications, don't know that. 7 Q. Let's look on page 6980 on the 8 document you have in front of you, Plaintiffs' 9 Exhibit 32, down to the middle paragraph and the second half of the middle paragraph. 10 11 Uh-huh. Α. 12 Q. It says, "The American Tobacco 13 Company in its new facilities at Bermuda Hundred has included several animal rooms, one for dogs, 14 15 and one for smaller animals, as well as an autopsy room. Further, the biomedical work supported by 17 American Tobacco at the Medical College of Virginia under the supervision of Dr. Arthur 18 19 Burke, M.D., was relocated under conditions of 20 extreme secrecy during this past summer from the 21 college to their new research facilities at 22 Bermuda Hundred." 23 Now, is it your understanding that, in fact, the medical work supported at the Medical College of Virginia was not relocated to Bermuda 25 STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES

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| 1 | Hundred? |
|----|--|
| 2 | A. Yes. The American the American |
| 3 | Tobacco-funded work, the Department of |
| 4 | Pharmacology remained at the Medical College of |
| 5 | Virginia, always has always was there. |
| 6 | Q. And all of the work that was done |
| 7 | at the Medical College of Virginia, none of that |
| 8 | work was moved in any fashion to Bermuda Hundred? |
| 9 | A. Never. |
| 10 | Q. So, when they state that some |
| 11 | studies are still being continued at the medical |
| 12 | college, but the major portion is now within their |
| 13 | own house, that's an incorrect statement? |
| 14 | A. Well, this is a letter from Wakeham |
| 15 | to Goldsmith. That's Philip Morris. That's a |
| 16 | different company. His information is incorrect. |
| 17 | MR. O'FALLON: I'm going to ask the |
| 18 | Court Reporter to mark as an exhibit a document |
| 19 | Bates stamped MNAT 00374276 through 4280. |
| 20 | (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1135 was |
| 21 | marked for identification.) |
| 22 | Q. What's that document been marked, |
| 23 | sir? |
| 24 | A. 1135. |
| 25 | Q. Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1135 is a |
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| 1 | | states at the top, "The Importance |
| 2 | of Biological I | |
| 3 | | Have you seen this document |
| 4 | previously? | |
| 5 | A. | I don't think so. |
| 6 | Q. | Is it your understanding that this |
| 7 | is a document p | produced out of American Tobacco's |
| 8 | files? | |
| 9 | A. | Yeah. |
| 10 | Q. | Would you turn to |
| 11 | A. | I'm trying to look at the date |
| 12 | 41 2-3-41? | |
| 13 | | Okay. |
| 14 | Q. | Would that seem to make sense? |
| 15 | | MR. WALLACE: I think he's just |
| 16 | looking for some context in which to put it, | |
| 17 | Mr. O'Fallon. | |
| 18 | A. | Initials EH, Ed Harlan okay. |
| 19 | Q. | Would '41 make sense? |
| 20 | Α. | Well, that's pretty far back for |
| 21 | even him to be | making that making this |
| 22 | summary. | |
| 23 | - | Okay. I don't know. |
| 24 | 0. | Because that's actually one of my |
| 25 | questions, is the timing of this, but maybe if we | |
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read through it, we'll be able to give you some context and you can at least give us a general 3 time frame for this document. On the first page, it says that "It 5 may be assumed that the medical profession is the group which it is most desired to reach and 6 7 convince"; correct? 8 Α. Yes. 9 And it says, "We have entered the Ο. 10 opinion that they are less skeptical than other 11 scientific groups and are easier to convince, if 12 properly approached." 13 Α. Okay. 14 Down in the third paragraph, it's Q. 15 stated that, quote, "The only kind of research which may be expected to impress the medical 17 profession is that obtained by the pharmocologist 18 or the physiologist in a biological laboratory. It was a recognition of this fact that prompted 19 20 us to provide for a biological department when the 21 research laboratory was designed." 22 Do you see that statement? 23 Yes, I do. 24 Based on your knowledge of the Ο. 25 history of American Tobacco's research facility, STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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would that date this document sometime in that
     time frame when you had -- had or were about to
     move into the Bermuda Hundred facility?
                   No. This is -- if this date is
             A.
     correct, 2-3-41, the initial research laboratory
5
     for the company was built in 1938, so this has to
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7
     be talking something predating anything we have
8
     been talking about by more than 20 some years.
9
                   Okay. How about Dr. Haaq, when did
             Q.
     he first begin at ATC Europe; do you know?
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11
             A. I think his name is Haag.
                   Haag -- I'm sorry.
12
             Q.
13
             Α.
                    Well, he's not here. Haag was at
     the Medical College of Virginia beginning sometime
14
     in the '30s. I don't know any more than that --
15
     probably '37, '38.
17
             Ο.
                   Let's look on page 2, the second
18
     paragraph. It says, "In our judgment, the
     connection with the Medical College of Virginia
19
     has been very productive. Aside from the
20
21
     information secured through their research, we
22
     have been impressed with the completeness with
     which the staff of the Medical College has been,"
     quote, "sold American," end quote.
25
                    Do you understand what that means?
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1 Α. Not at all. It says, "This encourages the Q. belief that if our activities were better known, more medical men could be brought into the fold. We feel, therefore, that more emphasis should be placed on biological research, and that we should add to our staff in this department." 7 8 Other than the time that you've 9 talked about where I believe Dr. Burke came on to consider -- to head up the biological department, 10 11 is there any other point in American Tobacco's history that you know of where you, in fact, added 13 people to do biological research? 14 MR. WALLACE: Objection, assumes 15 facts not in evidence, compound question. A. I don't believe that there were any people that were, quote, "added" to American's 17 staff. If American gave more money for other 18 people to work at the Medical College of Virginia, 19 20 then it was a grant, and as far as I know, it's 21 always been a grant. 22 Q. So, I guess it's your testimony 23 that other than the one point in time, there was no time that American Tobacco did biological 25 research in-house? STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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                    MR. WALLACE: Objection. That's
     been asked and answered at least three or four
3
     times now.
                    MR. O'FALLON: I know, but the
5
     documents seem to be somewhat confusing on that,
     so I'm asking him if he relied on these
 6
7
     documents.
8
                   Well, let me state it this way: In
             Α.
9
    the time frame that we talked about earlier from
     about 1965ish to maybe '70, approximate times,
10
     there was no biological -- there was no biological
11
12
     program being conducted in-house, so it shouldn't
13
     be stated that way.
14
             Q. Let's go to the bottom of page 2,
15
     last four numbers, 4277?
             A. 427 -- okay.
17
             Q.
                   At the bottom of the page, it says,
    "By developing its biological division, the
18
     research laboratory should be able in a few years
19
     to establish itself as an authority, not only in
20
21
     the field of chemical research on tobacco, but
     also in the field of biological and physiological
22
23
     research as they pertain to tobacco."
                    You would agree with that
25
     statement; correct?
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                    MR. WALLACE: Objection. If you're
     asking Mr. Price whether you read it correctly,
3
     that's one thing.
                    Are you asking him whether he
5
     agrees with it in concept?
                    MR. O'FALLON: Counsel, just state
 6
7
    your objection.
8
                    MR. WALLACE: It's on the record.
9
                    MR. O'FALLON: Did I ask him if I
10
    read it correctly; no.
                   Let's go back. Once again, counsel
11
             Q.
12
     insists on interrupting, so let's go back.
13
                    The document states, quote, "By
     developing its biological division, the research
14
15
     laboratory should be able in a few years to
     establish itself as an authority, not only in the
17
     field of chemical research on tobacco, but also in
     the field of biological and physiological research
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19
     as they pertain to tobacco."
20
                    That's what the document says;
21
    correct?
22
             Α.
                   That's what it says.
23
             Q.
                   Do you agree with that?
24
                   Well, you're asking me do I agree
25
     with what it says. I think, yes, but it -- do I
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      agree with that's what's happened or to the best
      of my knowledge, did it happen that way; I haven't
3
     the foggiest notion. That's too long ago.
             Q. At the bottom of page 3, they are
5
     talking about potentially hiring a head of the
     biological division a gentleman named Dr. Larsen.
6
7
                    Do you ever remember hearing of
8
     someone named "Dr. Larsen"?
9
                   I must not have a --
            Α.
10
                    MR. WALLACE: What page are you
11
     referring to?
                    THE WITNESS: Three?
12
13
                    MR. O'FALLON: Page 3.
14
                    THE WITNESS: Bottom, you say?
15
                    MR. O'FALLON: That's right.
16
                    Well, let's read it.
             Ο.
17
             Α.
                   Okay. I've got the last two
18
      sentences. I was up too far.
                   Let's read it so the record is
19
             Q.
20
     clear and there's no confusion.
21
                    It says, "As a result of
22
     discussions with Mr. Neiley, Dr. Haag has asked
23
     nearly" -- "was asked nearly a year ago to look
     about for a man having the desired
25
     qualifications. He should combine ability and
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experience with a broad-minded attitude toward the
     tobacco industry. It was not until recently that
     Dr. Haag could find anyone whom he considered
     well-qualified for the position. He has now
     recommended Dr. Larsen, who is a young
     physiologist with a good background, experience
7
     and a fine personality."
8
                    Do you recall ever hearing of a
9
     Dr. Larsen?
10
             Α.
                    Yes.
11
                    And when did you hear of that
             Q.
12
     gentleman?
13
             Α.
                   Well, first heard of him maybe late
     '60s, 1970s, or sometime probably when Arthur
14
     Burke was around. He had -- the library was quite
15
     familiar with him. He had -- along with Haag had
     authored a complete review of all work known at
17
     the time, and I have forgotten the exact date of
18
19
     publication, but a treatise on tobacco and other
20
     associated biological work -- biological work.
21
                    All these papers, documents, and so
22
     on, were given to the surgeon general, then, later
23
     on before the first report. That's about what I
     know of Dr. Larsen.
25
                    Did you ever recall a time when
             Q.
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Dr. Larsen was being considered for a position with the American Tobacco Company?

A. Nope.

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- Q. Do you know whether at any point in time he was ever actually hired by American Tobacco?
 - A. To the best of my knowledge, he has always been on the staff of the Medical College of Virginia.
- Q. On page 4, the first full paragraph states that "Although Dr. Larsen seems to be splendidly equipped for the position, I feel that we should not take him into our staff directly, and I therefore asked Dr. Haag if some arrangement could be made whereby the Medical College might secure his services on the basis of a grant"; correct?
 - A. That's what it says.
 - Q. It says, "Dr. Sanger, president of the Medical College, has been very cooperative. Of course, the Medical College of Virginia would receive nothing for their good offices, the only advantage being to us; namely, if for any reason it was decided at the end of the year that he was not the proper man for the place, or because of a STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES
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change in policy, we would not desire to continue with the promotion of the biological laboratory, his connection could be severed" -- "severed without embarrassment to us." Do you know whether that is, in fact, what occurred, he remained a member of the 6 7 Medical College? 8 Α. As far as I know, he has always 9 been a member of the Medical College, many years after this. 10 11 And, of course, the decision was Q. 12 made to not go forward with the promotion of the 13 biological laboratory? 14 A. Well, that's so long ago, I assumed 15 that that's the case. I don't know that for sure. Q. Is it your understanding that there 17 is a tacit agreement among the tobacco manufacturers not to do in-house biological 18 19 research? 20 A tacit agreement? Not that I know 21 of. 22 Q. I'm going to show you a document 23 that's been previously marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 140. 25 This is a document Bates stamp STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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numbered 110315968 through 971 entitled "Meeting
     with Dr. Helmut Wakeham, Vice President and
     Director of Research, Philip Morris, Inc., 10,
     September, 1970"; correct?
             Α.
                    This is a document that's been
             Q.
7
     produced by British-American Tobacco Company?
8
                   Okay -- British-American.
9
                   MR. WALLACE: Are you asking if he
10
    knows that or are you telling him, Mr. O'Fallon?
                   MR. O'FALLON: Well, you at one
11
12
     point complained when I didn't identify the
13
     source.
14
                    MR. WALLACE: I understand that,
15
     sir.
16
                    MR. O'FALLON: So, I'm identifying
17
     it, sir.
                    MR. WALLACE: Okay. So, you're
18
19
     telling him it was, you're not asking him if it
20
     was?
21
                    MR. O'FALLON: Got some confusion
22
     there, sir?
23
                    MR. WALLACE: My comment is on the
     record, Mr. O'Fallon.
24
25
                    MR. O'FALLON: Oh, is your
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     confusion now resolved?
                    MR. WALLACE: No, it's not, but you
3
     go right ahead, sir.
                   Okay. Sir, I'll represent to you
             Ο.
     and to your counsel that this is a document that
5
     was produced out of the files of British-American
7
     Tobacco Company.
8
             A. Okay.
9
                   And I'm just making that as a
             Q.
10
     statement, I'm not asking you to verify that.
11
             A. Okay.
                    Let's look on the second page of
12
             Q.
13
     this document.
                    Specifically, under "Philip Morris
14
    Affairs," and this is Bates number -- last three
15
     Bates numbers, 969.
17
                    Do you see that paragraph?
18
                    All right, uh-huh.
             Α.
                   Under that, it says, "One result of
19
             Q.
     the greater influence which Wakeham has with
20
21
     Dr. J. Cullman has been the agreement, albeit
     reluctant, to permit Philip Morris to do in-house
22
23
     biological work. When this was first mooted,
     Wakeham was told that there was a tacit agreement
     between the heads of the U.S. companies that this
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| 1 | would not be done"; correct? | | |
|----|--|--|--|
| 2 | A. Well, if you're asking me if that's | | |
| 3 | what it says, yes. | | |
| 4 | Q. Was it your understanding that | | |
| 5 | there was such a tacit agreement? | | |
| 6 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, asked and | | |
| 7 | answered. | | |
| 8 | A. To the best of my knowledge, there | | |
| 9 | was no agreement. | | |
| 10 | Q. If there were an agreement, | | |
| 11 | American Tobacco certainly did its part by not | | |
| 12 | engaging in in-house biological research; correct? | | |
| 13 | MR. WALLACE: Objection. The | | |
| 14 | question is argumentative and it calls for | | |
| 15 | speculation, and it assumes facts not in | | |
| 16 | evidence. | | |
| 17 | A. I don't know whether the situation | | |
| 18 | with American doing or not doing in-house | | |
| 19 | biological research has any relation to this. | | |
| 20 | Q. In any event, American's failure to | | |
| 21 | do in-house biological research was certainly | | |
| 22 | consistent with that agreement; correct? | | |
| 23 | MR. WALLACE: Objection same | | |
| 24 | objections. | | |
| 25 | A. Well, American always continued | | |
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this through this time period, to support the Medical College of Virginia and kept its program 3 going there, so it wasn't like it just stopped its programs all together. We were apparently, at least in my -- my judgment in trying to look around, that 7 the programs were kept intact. 8 Q. One of the reasons for not doing 9 in-house biological research is, you didn't want to have anything in your files that would show 10 11 that you knew specifically that cigarette smoking 12 was harmful to health; correct? 13 MR. WALLACE: Objection, assumes 14 facts not in evidence, it's argumentative -- wait 15 until I finish my objection. You can answer, 17 Α. To the best of my knowledge, I 18 don't know that that's true at all. 19 Q. You're aware that American 20 continued to support the CTR; correct? A. 21 Yes. 22 And that's Council for Tobacco Q. 23 Research? That's what I know it as. 24 Α. American continued to support that 25 Q. STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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program, even though they felt that that program
     violated public statements made in the Frank
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     Statement in 1954; correct?
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection.
 5
             Α.
                    Even though it violated the --
             Q.
                    Yes.
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                    I believe that might be true.
             Α.
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                    MR. O'FALLON: What I would like
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     to do is have marked as the next exhibit a
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     document Bates stamp numbered ATX 090027291
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     through 294.
                    (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1136 was
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               marked for identification.)
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                    MR. O'FALLON: The copies I'm
15
     going to give are not copies of that document,
     they are copies of the Philip Morris document. I
     believe they are substantially similiar.
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                    What's the Exhibit number of that
             Q.
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     document?
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                    1136.
             Α.
                  Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1136 is a
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             Q.
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     document that's dated December 6th of 1977;
23
     correct?
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             Α.
                   Yes.
25
                   It's from Robert K. Heimann, the
             Q.
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1 Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of American Brands, Inc., correct? 3 A. Correct. And it's to Mr. Addison Y. Yeaman, Ο. 5 Chairman and President of the Council for Tobacco 6 Research? 7 That's right. Α. 8 Dr. Heimann states as follows in Q. 9 the first page of the first paragraph: 10 "Following our discussions of December 5, I should like to summarize our 11 12 company's position with respect to the Council for 13 Tobacco Research. For many years after the TIRC 14 was established in 1954, we were able to say 15 that, " quote, "all grants are made upon recommendation of an advisory board of independent 17 doctors, scientists and educators. Recipients of 18 grants are assured complete scientific freedom in conducting their investigation"; correct? 19 20 Α. Yes. 21 Q. That's what he states; right? A. That's what he states.

Q. He then goes on to say, "Indeed, 22 23 this point was made a part of our pledge to the public in full-page advertisements headlined "A 25 STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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Frank Statement to Cigarette Smokers and Nine
     Important Facts about Smoking and Your Health";
3
     correct?
                    That's what it says.
             Α.
5
             Q.
                   He says, "The latter ad
     specifically said, " quote, "a scientific advisory
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7
     board of outstanding scientists, doctors and
     educators has complete and free rein in directing
8
9
     the research program and awarding the money for
     grants"; correct?
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11
                   Yes, that's what it says.
             Α.
12
             Q.
                   He then goes on to say, "This, we
13
     can no longer say, since what is called, " quote,
     "directed," end quote, "or contract," end quote,
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     "research has been brought into the picture";
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     correct?
             Α.
17
                    That's what it says.
18
                   "As I remarked" -- he further goes
             Q.
     on to state, quote, "As I remarked at the
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20
     September, 1976 meeting, the original concept of
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     TIRC did not embrace the idea of contract
    research, but envisioned industry support of
22
23
     research on a pro bono publico, arm's-length
     basis"; correct?
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                    Yes, sir, that's what it said.
             Α.
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1 It says, "I believe the current movement towards contract research is a violation of our advertised pledges to the public, and I also believe industry support of objective and independent scientific research is of cardinal importance in maintaining a statesmanlike stance"; 7 correct? 8 Yes, sir, that's what it says. 9 He goes on to state, quote, "I do Ο. 10 not think it would be an exaggeration to say that 11 the current shift to contract research bastardizes the fine concept of objectivity, which many good 13 people in the past years worked long and hard to establish"; correct? 14 15 A. That's what it said. Q. Did American ever tell the public 17 that they believed the research carried out by CTR under contract violated their public pledges? 18 19 A. Don't know whether we did or 20 whether we didn't. 21 Q. You have no evidence that, in fact, 22 American Tobacco went public and said that "CTR's research program violates our own public pledge"; correct? 25 MR. WALLACE: Asked and answered.

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                   Yes, I don't know whether I could
     or whether I couldn't -- whether we did or whether
     we didn't, rather, and what I get from this is
     that Mr. Heimann is standing up for the
     traditional position of the CTR and the position
     of the company, American Tobacco.
7
             Q. Did Mr. Heimann ever tell the
8
    public that he believed that CTR's current
9
     approach bastardized the fine concept of
10
     objectivity?
11
             Α.
                    I don't know.
                   Do you think he had a duty to at
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             Q.
13
     some point?
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                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, to the
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     extent it calls for a legal conclusion.
     A. I don't know whether they had a
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     duty or not.
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                    Certainly, the people running this
     program would have some disagreements from time to
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     time, and I take that as a disagreement.
             Q. Certainly if Mr. Heimann had went
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22
     public with these sentiments, it would severely
23
     undercut the industry's research effort at CTR;
     correct?
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                    MR. WALLACE: Objection.
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      question is argumentative, calls for legal
     conclusions, speculative.
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                    I think you should save your
     arguments, perhaps, for the jury, Mr. O'Fallon.
                   MR. O'FALLON: And I think you
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6
     should make appropriate objections.
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                   MR. WALLACE: Go ahead, Mr. Price.
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     You can answer, if you can.
                   MR. O'FALLON: You know, you can
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10
     make the objection without throwing in the
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     gratuity at the end. Okay. I wouldn't object --
     you can state your objection. I really object to
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     the gratuity at the end. We don't need it.
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                    MR. WALLACE: You can answer.
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                    MR. O'FALLON: Go back and reread
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     the question.
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                    (Record read.)
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                   I don't know that it would.
             Α.
             Q. It would have severely undercut the
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20
     credibility the public would place in CTR;
21
     correct?
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                    MR. WALLACE: Objection, calls for
23
     speculation and it's argumentative.
                   I don't know how -- how to judge
25
     what the -- the public would believe about that.
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1 Well, don't you think if the public knew that your own research program funded through the Council for Tobacco Reasearch was being 3 internally criticized --THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry, 6 would you repeat that? 7 Q. Don't you agree that if the public 8 knew that your own internally -- internal 9 documents indicated that the funding companies believed that CTR's research had been severely 10 compromised and violated the industry's pledges 11 about that, that it would have undermined the 12 13 credibility of CTR in the eyes of the public? 14 MR. WALLACE: Objection. The 15 question is incredibly vague and ambiguous, it's compound, it calls for speculation, it calls for a 17 legal conclusion, and it entirely misrepresents 18 the letter that's been entered as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1136. 19 20 MR. O'FALLON: You can answer. THE WITNESS: Try it again. I'm 21 22 lost. 23 MR. WALLACE: You just give me the "same objection," please, Mr. O'Fallon, so I don't need to place it and you can ask the question and 25 STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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     get the answer.
                    MR. O'FALLON: That would be fine.
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                    MR. WALLACE: Thank you.
                    MR. O'FALLON: I'm actually going
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     to restate it to make it a little clearer.
             Q. Don't you agree if the public knew
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     that American Tobacco believed CTR's research
     program now violated basic promises the industry
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     made to the public, that that would severely
     undercut the credibility of CTR's research program
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11
     in the mind of the public?
                    MR. WALLACE: Same objection.
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13
             Α.
                   Well, I'd -- again, I don't know --
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     I just don't know what the public perception would
15
     be to a statement to that effect.
                   My own reaction would be that
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    somebody taking a stance and looking at
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     credibility of the work is good.
             Q. Well, don't you agree that if the
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20
     public knew that American thought that CTR had
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     been -- had went wildly far from its original
     functions, that if the public knew -- well, strike
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23
     that.
                    If the public thought CTR research
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     was basically a front for the industry,
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Dr. Heimann's statement certainly would have
     confirmed that; correct?
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                   MR. WALLACE: Objection as to form,
     argumentative, and mischaracterizes what's been
5
     marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1136 and calls for
6
     speculation.
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             A.
                   I don't know that Dr. Heimann's
8
     statement would really say that at all.
            Q. And if the public had some trust in
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10
     CTR, that trust would certainly be called into
     question by Dr. Heimann's statements; correct?
11
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, calls for
12
13
     speculation.
14
                   Well, again, I don't know how the
             Α.
15
    perceived trust goes with the public. You're
     asking me to make a judgment that I can't make.
17
             Q. In any event, American did continue
18
     its funding of CTR; correct?
                   Yes, it did.
19
             Α.
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                    MR. WALLACE: Mr. O'Fallon, are you
21
     finished with that document?
22
                   MR. O'FALLON: Yes.
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                    MR. WALLACE: I just need to go off
     the record for about two minutes.
                    MR. O'FALLON: Sure.
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                   MR. WALLACE: Thank you very much.
     I will be right back.
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                    (Recess taken.)
                    (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1137 was
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               marked for identification.)
                  Mr. Price, I have had marked as
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             Q.
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     Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1137 a document Bates stamp
     numbered 680212421 through 423.
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                   Have you seen this document
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    previously?
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                   MR. WALLACE: Take your time. Take
     a look at it, Byron.
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            A.
                  Yes, I have seen this one. It was
     a pre -- what do you call it, a pre --
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15
             Q. Predesignation.
16
                   Predesignation.
                  This document would follow in time
17
             Q.
     the document dated December 6th, 1977, the
18
     document -- the letter by Dr. Heimann to
19
20
     Dr. Yeaman; correct?
             A. Yes, I believe it does.
21
22
             Q.
                   This one's dated April 4th of 1978;
23
    correct?
                   '78, and the other one was '77?
             Α.
25
                   Correct.
             Q.
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1 Well, it would follow after, it came later, yes. 3 The first paragraph of this says Q. that, quote, "American Brands has at last agreed 5 to go along with the level of funding which the CTR requested of the companies and which B&W 7 tentatively agreed to in December"; correct? 8 Α. Yes, it said that. 9 It says, "American, RJR and PM Ο. 10 continue to harbor doubts concerning the operation 11 and direction of CTR"; correct? 12 Α. Yes. 13 Q. "I think American will not vote for 14 the budget, but will agree to pay their share of 15 the full funding"; correct? Yes, I believe that's what it says. 17 Q. So, in other words, even though American Tobacco believed that CTR research was at 18 this point misguided, they, nonetheless, went 19 20 along with their colleagues in the industry; 21 correct? 22 MR. WALLACE: Objection. It's an 23 argumentative question, and it also again mischaracterizes what's been marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit number 1136. 25 STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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| 1 | A. Well, it says, "American, RJR and |
| 2 | PM continue to harbor doubts concerning |
| 3 | operations." |
| 4 | They can certainly have |
| 5 | agreements internal agreements about how things |
| 6 | were run. |
| 7 | What was the rest of your question? |
| 8 | Q. I said, despite those doubts, they, |
| 9 | nonetheless went along with their industry |
| 10 | colleagues and agreed to fund CTR; correct? |
| 11 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, that was |
| 12 | not the question that you asked him which he asked |
| 13 | you to repeat. |
| 14 | MR. O'FALLON: Well, if he wants it |
| 15 | read back |
| 16 | MR. WALLACE: That question was |
| 17 | MR. O'FALLON: I will |
| 18 | specifically have it read back. |
| 19 | (Record read.) |
| 20 | MR. WALLACE: Same objection, |
| 21 | asked and answered. |
| 22 | A. I don't believe it says |
| 23 | "misguided," it might mischaracterize this. |
| 24 | Q. Well, do you believe that's the |
| 25 | general gist of Mr. Heimann's remarks that you saw |
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     previously?
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection.
     Plaintiffs' Exhibit number 1136 speaks for
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     itself.
                  It think it said they had doubts --
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     harbored doubts.
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7
             Q.
                 They said it violated your previous
8
     promises to the public; correct?
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                   MR. WALLACE: He is referring back
10
    to this exhibit now.
11
                   Oh, that?
             Α.
                    MR. WALLACE: 1136.
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13
                    THE WITNESS: Yes, he said it
14
     violated that, yes, I agree with that.
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                   So, despite the fact that American
             Q.
     Tobacco believed CTR's research now violated the
17
     public pledge that American Tobacco and its
18
     colleagues in the industry made, it still went
     along and paid for the research; correct?
19
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                    MR. WALLACE: Objection. The
21
     question again totally mischaracterizes record
22
     evidence Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1136.
23
                    You can answer.
                   Well, he certainly objected in this
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     first portion, the first memorandum to it, but to
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come back and have a document from -- I guess this
     is B&W, characterizing the work as misguided, I
 3
     don't think that's exactly correct.
                     MR. O'FALLON: Move to strike.
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      Why don't we repeat the question? I think you've
 6
     lost it.
                    MR. WALLACE: I think it's been
 7
 8
     asked and answered, and I think its unfair,
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     Mr. O'Fallon, to take this letter out of context
      in which Mr. Heimann clearly was talking about one
10
     aspect of CTR research which gave him concern, and
11
     then to frame a question in terms of a blanket
13
     statement about him having concerns, everything
     CTR was doing, I think that improper
14
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     mischaracterization and misuse of the record.
                    MR. O'FALLON: Save it for the
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     Court. Save your argument for the Court, sir.
                    MR. WALLACE: You can answer.
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                    MR. O'FALLON: That's why we have
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20
     said, "no speaking objections."
21
                     You just really don't understand
22
     that part of the order, do you, but I guess that
23
     shouldn't surprise me.
                    Why don't we read the question back
25
     and see if we can't get an answer to it?
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| 1 | Do you want a standing objection? |
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| 2 | MR. WALLACE: No, I don't. I've |
| 3 | objected, and I will object again. The question |
| 4 | has been asked and answered, and I will object |
| 5 | each time you ask it. |
| 6 | MR. O'FALLON: Going to make more |
| 7 | speeches, too, because I so enjoy hearing them. |
| 8 | Can you read it back, please? |
| 9 | (Record read.) |
| 10 | MR. WALLACE: Objection. The |
| 11 | question is argumentative. It entirely |
| 12 | mischaracterizes Mr. Price's testimony, the record |
| 13 | evidence admitted to this point in this |
| 14 | deposition, and it calls for speculation. |
| 15 | With that, you can answer. |
| 16 | A. Well, again, I go back to, we have |
| 17 | one document where he's saying there's a problem |
| 18 | with part of a program, and it states that very |
| 19 | clearly. |
| 20 | Now it says, yes, they have |
| 21 | contract work, but the whole program is much, much |
| 22 | bigger than the whole, and yes, I think that it's |
| 23 | certainly correct for him to go and support that. |
| 24 | Q. And to not tell the public that |
| 25 | American now believed that CTR was violating |
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American and all the other companies' public
     pledge made in 1954; correct?
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection. The
     question is argumentative. It calls for a legal
5
     conclusion. It's vague and ambiguous. It's been
     asked and answered a half-dozen times to this
7
     point.
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                     Of course, the record isn't
9
     reflecting the fact, Mr. O'Fallon, that you
     continue to make hand gestures during all of this,
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     but I would like the record to reflect that you're
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     acting as if you're some sort of conductor here
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     with your hands throughout this, and I think
14
     that's improper deposition behavior.
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                    MR. O'FALLON: You know, I think
     your entire behavior has been improper and a
17
     violation of the Court's orders, but let's go on,
     you know. I have had to tolerate speech after
18
     speech after speech, so let's just go on and get
19
20
     the question answered. Let's repeat the question.
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     If you want a standing objection, you can have a
22
     standing objection.
23
                    Could we have the question read
24
     back.
25
                     (Record read.)
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| 1 | MR. WALLACE: Same objection. |
| 2 | A. Well, as far as as far as I can |
| 3 | see, this is making a lot bigger issue out of what |
| 4 | I consider, from looking at this, merely a dispute |
| 5 | internally about how some grants are being done. |
| 6 | The overall program with CTR is just so much |
| 7 | bigger that I don't think that's violating the |
| 8 | pledge. |
| 9 | Q. So, you and Mr. Heimann agree |
| 10 | disagree about that, huh? |
| 11 | A. Well, he saw it. I don't know what |
| 12 | all he was talking about. He apparently had a |
| 13 | particular particular opinion. |
| 14 | Q. Excuse me. Let's look down to the |
| 15 | last paragraph where it talks about the Committee |
| 16 | of Counsel. |
| 17 | A. Committee? |
| 18 | Q. Were you aware of a Committee of |
| 19 | Counsel at CTR? |
| 20 | A. A Committee of Counsel at CTR? |
| 21 | Q. Yes. |
| 22 | A. No, sir. |
| 23 | Q. Were you aware that the Committee |
| 24 | of Counsel would often fund what were called |
| 25 | "special projects"? |
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                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, assumes
     facts not in evidence.
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                   MR. O'FALLON: They'll be in
    evidence.
5
                  No, sir.
             Α.
             Q.
6
                   Were you aware that special
7
     projects were funded through CTR for the defense
     of the industry against smoking and health
8
9
     litigation?
10
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, assumes
11
     facts not in evidence. It's also vague and
12
     ambiguous.
                  I'm not aware of any special
13
            A.
14
    projects.
15
           Q. You would agree that that would
    also be a violation of the industry's pledge to do
    objective research through TIRC and its successor,
17
     CTR; correct?
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                   MR. WALLACE: Objection as to form
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20
    and to the extent it calls for a legal
21
     conclusion.
22
                   THE WITNESS: Say it again, not
23
    real quick.
                  MR. O'FALLON: Sure. Why don't we
25
    read it back.
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| 1 | (Record read.) |
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| 2 | A. It would not be it might be |
| 3 | considered nonobjective. |
| 4 | Q. Might be considered a violation of |
| 5 | the industry's 1954 pledge to do objective |
| 6 | research; correct? |
| 7 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, calls for |
| 8 | a legal conclusion, also requires speculation. |
| 9 | A. At this stage, I don't know whether |
| 10 | I do or don't. |
| 11 | Q. I would now like to turn to the |
| 12 | whole issue of the control of nicotine and other |
| 13 | reinforcing substances in cigarettes and design |
| 14 | and manufacturer of cigarettes Re the same. |
| 15 | From approximately 1963 to 1974, |
| 16 | American Tobacco looked at the issue of whether it |
| 17 | should add nicotine to its sheet; correct? |
| 18 | A. There was activity to that effect |
| 19 | during that time frame. |
| 20 | Q. During that time frame at least |
| 21 | during part of that time frame, you did not refer |
| 22 | to nicotine directly, but called it Compound W ; |
| 23 | correct? |
| 24 | A. There was a Compound W. |
| 25 | Q. And Compound W was a nicotine; |
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| 1 | right? | |
|----|-----------------|--|
| 2 | A. | Yes, uh-huh. |
| 3 | Q. | It could also be a salt of |
| 4 | nicotine; corre | ect? |
| 5 | A. | Yes, it was. |
| 6 | Q. | Nicotine citrate or nicotine |
| 7 | malate? | |
| 8 | A. | Those were the two that were |
| 9 | involved. | |
| 10 | Q. | And was nicotine citrate or |
| 11 | nicotine malate | e added to cigarettes by American |
| 12 | Tobacco? | |
| 13 | A. | Nicotine with the exception of |
| 14 | nicotine malate | e or I should let me rephrase |
| 15 | that. | |
| 16 | | Nicotine malate was added to a test |
| 17 | market product | in 19 and 69ish. It was added at a |
| 18 | level, I belie | ve, of a hundred times lower than |
| 19 | the nicotine in | n the tobacco blend and was added as |
| 20 | a flavorant. | |
| 21 | Q. | Was that ever added was any form |
| 22 | of nicotine ev | er added as a as an ingredient of |
| 23 | a commercially | sold product? |
| 24 | A. | Other than that, the situation I |
| 25 | just described | where it was on test market for |
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| 1 | three months, failed miserably; no. | |
| 2 | Q. Okay. What was the name of that | |
| 3 | product? | |
| 4 | A. It was a Lucky Strike product. | |
| 5 | Q. So, for three months, Lucky Strikes | |
| 6 | in certain test markets had nicotine added to | |
| 7 | them? | |
| 8 | A. They had a low level of flavorant | |
| 9 | added hundred times lower than the level of | |
| 10 | nicotine in the blend; yes. | |
| 11 | Q. And that was 1969, did you say? | |
| 12 | MR. WALLACE: Asked and answered. | |
| 13 | A. Yes, I believe it was. | |
| 14 | Q. What were the test markets? | |
| 15 | A. I think it was test market, and it | |
| 16 | was in Washington State. | |
| 17 | Q. Was there any other point in time | |
| 18 | in which nicotine was added to a commercial | |
| 19 | product, and I'm going to include, added into the | |
| 20 | extract used to make reconstituted tobacco? | |
| 21 | A. That's a compound question. | |
| 22 | Objection, that's a compound question. | |
| 23 | Q. Was nicotine ever added to the | |
| 24 | extract before it was sprayed on to your | |
| 25 | reconstituted tobacco? | |
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| 1 | A. | We had some experimental work. |
| 2 | Q. | Was it ever added to a commercial |
| 3 | product? | |
| 4 | A. | I don't believe so. I think I |
| 5 | described the | only thing that I know of was added |
| 6 | to a commercia | l product. |
| 7 | Q. | After 1969, you continued, however, |
| 8 | to look at the | addition of nicotine to your |
| 9 | cigarettes; co | rrect? |
| 10 | A. | There were some efforts to look at |
| 11 | that, yes. | |
| 12 | Q. | Let's just look at some of the |
| 13 | documents that | relate to that. |
| 14 | | MR. O'FALLON: I would like to have |
| 15 | marked as the | next exhibit a document Bates |
| 16 | stamped MNAT 0 | 0316688 through 6693. |
| 17 | | (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1138 was |
| 18 | mark | ed for identification.) |
| 19 | Q. | What's the exhibit number? |
| 20 | A. | 1138. |
| 21 | Q. | Exhibit 1138 is a document dated |
| 22 | October 8th of | 1963; correct? |
| 23 | A. | That's correct. |
| 24 | Q. | This is an internal American |
| 25 | Tobacco documen | nt; correct? |
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| 1 | A. I | believe it is. |
| 2 | Q. A | nd the title of the document is |
| 3 | "The Effect of t | he Addition of 1 Percent Nicotine |
| 4 | on the Quality o | f RC Tobacco"; correct? |
| 5 | A. Y | es. |
| 6 | Q. A | nd what's "RC" mean? |
| 7 | Α. " | RC" stands for reconstituted |
| 8 | tobacco. | |
| 9 | Q. A | nd when did American start to |
| 10 | produce reconsti | tuted tobacco? |
| 11 | A. E | ither late '63 or I guess maybe |
| 12 | early '64. I'm | not exactly sure. |
| 13 | Q. H | ow many brands of American |
| 14 | included reconst | ituted sheet, roughly? |
| 15 | A. I | need maybe a time frame. |
| 16 | Q. W | ell, let's start from 1964 |
| 17 | forward. | |
| 18 | Н | ow about for 1964 to 197 |
| 19 | A. W | ell, it started in '64, it would |
| 20 | have been a smal | ler number. |
| 21 | Q. 0 | kay. |
| 22 | A. L | ater on, all brands or nearly |
| 23 | all brands. | |
| 24 | Q. 0 | kay. At what point in time did |
| 25 | nearly all brand | s have reconstituted sheet added? |
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1
                  Probably within a year or two or
     three.
3
                  Okay. So, by 1966, is it safe to
             Ο.
     say that nearly all brands produced by American
     Tobacco had some level of reconstituted tobacco in
5
6
     it?
                   THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry,
7
8
     that --
9
                   MR. O'FALLON: American Tobacco had
10
    reconstituted sheet added?
                   MR. WALLACE: "Some level of
11
12
     reconstituted sheet," is what you had originally.
            A. Well, let me answer that this way:
13
14
     Let's make that, certainly by in the early '70s.
15
            Q. Okay. So, by the early '70s, all
     of American Tobacco's brands had some level of
     reconstituted sheet added?
17
                   I believe so.
18
             Α.
                  And did you have varying types of
             Q.
19
20
     reconstituted sheet?
            A. Yes, we did.
21
22
                   For instance, I have seen reference
             Q.
23
    to RC-A. What does that mean?
                  RD-A was one of the earlier types
            Α.
25
     of recon -- Ed Hamner.
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| 1 | Q. | And what did "A" mean? |
| 2 | Α. | I don't know. |
| 3 | Q. | Would that refer to "ammoniated"? |
| 4 | Α. | No. |
| 5 | Q. | You did ammoniate some of your |
| 6 | tobacco, corre | ct, your reconstituted sheet? |
| 7 | | MR. WALLACE: Objection, vague and |
| 8 | ambiguous. | |
| 9 | Α. | If you're referring to the addition |
| 10 | of diammonium, | we did do that later on. |
| 11 | Q. | Well, you also added monammonium |
| 12 | phosphate; cor | rect? |
| 13 | Α. | I believe there may have been some |
| 14 | tests with it, | but not commercial. |
| 15 | Q. | When did you first add diammonium |
| 16 | phosphate to y | our reconstituted sheet? |
| 17 | A. | Maybe in 1960 somewhere in '68 |
| 18 | or '69. | |
| 19 | Q. | Going back to document Plaintiffs' |
| 20 | Exhibit 1138, | this would indicate that you added 1 |
| 21 | percent nicoti | ne in the form of nicotine citrate |
| 22 | to reconstitut | ed tobacco during manufacture at the |
| 23 | Schweitzer's S | potswood plant on July |
| 24 | | THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry. |
| 25 | Would you repe | at that? |
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1
                   You would agree that the document
     states that approximately 1 percent nicotine in
     the form of nicotine citrate was added to
     R.C. Tobacco during manufacture at Schweitzer's
     Spotswood plant on July 3rd, 1963?
             A. That's what it says, yes.
7
                   And this was thereafter identified
             Q.
8
    as RC X-300?
                 Yes.
At the bottom, there's a paragraph
9
             Α.
10
             Q.
11
     involving manufacture of RC with added nicotine;
12
     correct?
13
             Α.
                   Yes, sir.
14
                   It says, "According to
             Q.
15
    calculations, the 93 pounds of nicotine
     concentrate was sufficient to increase the
    nicotine content of between 2,900 and 3,000 pounds
17
18
     of RC by 1 percent"; correct?
                 Yes, that's what it reads.
             A.
19
20
                   So, the nicotine was added to
             Q.
21
     actually increase the nicotine content of the
22
    reconstituted sheet; correct?
23
            A. It was added to the reconstituted
     sheet to bring it back to what was being lost
25
     through the manufacturing process.
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| 1 | Q. | Where does it say that, sir? |
| 2 | A. | It doesn't. I know that's what was |
| 3 | happening. | |
| 4 | Q. | Well, that's not what this document |
| 5 | says, is it, s | ir? |
| 6 | | MR. WALLACE: Well, he is entitled |
| 7 | to put the doc | ument in context. |
| 8 | | MR. O'FALLON: And I'm entitled to |
| 9 | ask a question | about it. |
| 10 | Q. | That's not what the document says, |
| 11 | is it, sir? | |
| 12 | Α. | It will raise what is there by 1 |
| 13 | percent, and t | hat 1 percent, then, should bring it |
| 14 | back into line | |
| 15 | | MR. O'FALLON: Move to strike the |
| 16 | last part. | |
| 17 | Q. | When you manufactured Lucky Strike |
| 18 | in 1969 with a | dded nicotine, did you add enough |
| 19 | nicotine to th | e reconstituted sheet to raise the |
| 20 | nicotine conte | nt of that nicotine sheet by 1 |
| 21 | percent? | |
| 22 | Α. | Nope. |
| 23 | ٥. | What did you raise it by? |
| 24 | A. | About a hundred percent. |
| 25 | 0. | And do we have a document that |
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1
     shows that someplace?
             A. I don't know.
3
             Q.
                   What's the basis for your
     knowledge?
             A. Past work I've done. Let's see.
5
6
     Where was that?
7
                   Ah, that was in the submissions we
8
    did to the Waxman Committee.
9
                  And is there any internal document
            Ο.
10
     that would substantiate that statement, if I were
11
     to go look for it?
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection.
12
                   I don't know what's -- I don't know
13
             A.
14
    what documents are there right now.
             Q. You haven't had a chance to look
15
     back at those documents to see if those documents
17
     have been produced?
18
                    Don't know.
             Α.
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection. He just
19
20
     told you the documents were produced in response
21
     to the Waxman request.
                   MR. O'FALLON: I asked whether they
22
23
     were produced in response to us. Maybe I should
     myself clearer.
25
                   Do you think those documents -- did
             Q.
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you produce documents to the Waxman Committee that showed that you increased the nicotine by one 3 hundredth of a percent? That was in an answer to one of the 5 requests. 6 So, it wasn't in a document, it was Q. 7 just in an answer written by your lawyer? 8 A. I don't know that. I think we may 9 have some other documents, too. I don't know 10 that. 11 MR. WALLACE: Object. 12 Q. What you recall from is an answer 13 written by your lawyers? 14 MR. WALLACE: I object to your --15 No, it wasn't written --Α. 16 MR. WALLACE: Hold on, Byron. When 17 I start stating an objection, stop, okay, and I object to that question as improper and assuming 18 facts not in evidence. 19 20 If you want to ask him who wrote 21 the submission to the Waxman production, that's an 22 entirely different matter. 23 MR. O'FALLON: You know what, if you want to conduct this deposition, you can 25 notice it yourself. STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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| 1 | A. The responses to the Waxman |
| 2 | Committee were all done by people at research and |
| 3 | development. |
| 4 | Q. And it's your testimony there was |
| 5 | no input by lawyers in making those responses? |
| 6 | A. To the best of my knowledge, those |
| 7 | responses, once they left R&D, remained the same. |
| 8 | Q. That's not my question. My |
| 9 | question is: Did lawyers have input into those |
| 10 | responses? |
| 11 | MR. WALLACE: Objection. The |
| 12 | question has been asked and answered. |
| 13 | MR. O'FALLON: I'll agree, it's |
| 14 | been asked. |
| 15 | A. I don't know that there was input |
| 16 | or there wasn't. |
| 17 | Q. Were you part of the people that |
| 18 | drafted those responses? |
| 19 | A. Yes, I was, but not that |
| 20 | specific |
| 21 | Q. Did you consult |
| 22 | MR. WALLACE: You have to let him |
| 23 | finish his answers, Mr. O'Fallon. |
| 24 | Q. Did you consult with lawyers in |
| 25 | doing the work that you did? |
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| 1 | A. No, sir. |
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| 2 | MR. WALLACE: Did you finish the |
| 3 | answer to the previous question that he asked |
| 4 | you? |
| 5 | THE WITNESS: I'm not sure. |
| 6 | MR. WALLACE: He asked you, were |
| 7 | you part of the people that drafted the responses, |
| 8 | and you said "Yes, I was, but not that specific," |
| 9 | and he cut you off. |
| 10 | A. Not the specific one that he was |
| 11 | asking me, some questions back prior there. |
| 12 | MR. O'FALLON: Got any more |
| 13 | questions you would like to ask, Mr. Wallace, |
| 14 | because as far as I'm concerned, that's coming out |
| 15 | of your part of the questioning, so if you want to |
| 16 | ask some more, you go ahead. |
| 17 | MR. O'FALLON: I'll next have the |
| 18 | Court Reporter mark a document Bates stamped |
| 19 | MNAT 00316683 through 84. |
| 20 | MR. O'FALLON: Let's take a break. |
| 21 | (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1139 was |
| 22 | marked for identification.) |
| 23 | (Recess taken.) |
| 24 | Q. Mr. Price, while we were off the |
| 25 | record, I had marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1139 a |
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| document Bates stamped MNAT 00316683 through |
| 6884. |
| Have you seen this document |
| previously? |
| A. Yes, on the precertified. |
| Q. Okay. And this again discusses |
| nicotine fortification of reconstituted tobacco; |
| correct? |
| A. That's what it did, yes. |
| Q. Particularly, it appears that the |
| nicotine content of RC and RC-A was altered? |
| A. One was fortified to bring it up to |
| a 1.2 level, approximately. That's what it says. |
| Q. And what was its normal level? |
| A. Well, incoming materials would |
| probably be running at about 1.2, so that's |
| about probably about what was lost in |
| manufacturing. |
| Q. Just so we're clear, it says, "In |
| the pilot plant run, it was desired to increase |
| |
| the nicotine content of the RC by about point |
| by 0.4 percent or to at least 1.2 percent |
| nicotine"; correct? |
| A. Okay. |
| Q. So, you're apparently increasing it |
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     from .8 to 1.2?
                   Well, only going the actual
             Α.
3
     analysis showing .94 to 1.27 -- oh, up here --
     you're talking about there?
5
                    Pilot -- you're looking at the
6
     second paragraph, then?
7
            Q.
                 Yes, I am.
8
                   Okay. I had jumped down to the
             Α.
     other analysis.
9
                    So, .4 to about at least about 1.2;
10
11
     yes, that's what it says.
12
           Q. So, that would be about a 50
13
     percent increase; correct?
14
            A. Well, it's 4 percent -- four-tenths
15
     of a percent absolute increase, relatively -- no,
     it's not 50 percent on relative.
17
             Q. If you go from .8 to 1.2 percent,
18
     isn't that a 50 percent increase?
             A. Well, certainly half of that is
19
20
     but -- it's a little higher. If you look down
21
     below, it's .94, so it isn't quite that much.
22
             Q. Yeah, it goes -- in actuality, it
23
     went from .94 to 1.27; correct?
                  Uh-huh, sure.
24
             Α.
25
                   So, that's about what, about a 30
             Q.
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     to 40 percent increase in nicotine?
                   Maybe something like that.
             Α.
3
              Q.
                   In the third paragraph, it states,
     quote, "The regular amount of salt additives was
5
     used in both the control and the
     nicotine-fortified products."
 6
7
                    What were those salt additives or
8
     additive?
9
                   Nicotine malate.
10
                   Well, I don't think so, and that's
             Q.
     why I'm asking the question, but let's read the
11
     whole document and I'll tell you why I'm confused.
13
     It says, "The regular amount of salt additive was
     used in both the control and nicotine-fortified
14
15
     products. Nicotine was also added by size press
     application in the form of nicotine malate."
17
                    So, as I read that, you're adding a
18
     certain amount of salts to both the control and
     the nicotine-fortified product and then adding
19
20
     nicotine on top of that; is that incorrect?
21
                    MR. WALLACE: Why don't you take
22
     the time to look at the document and try to see if
23
     you can help Mr. O'Fallon here put it in context.
                   Uh-huh. Well, the product RC-A
25
     carried no added salt, so if that's the control,
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     it is stated confusingly here.
                   Well, what is the regular amount of
             Q.
     salt nicotine that was used in both the control
     and the nicotine-fortified product? What is
     that? What is -- what are they talking about when
     they say "the regular amount of salt additive"?
7
             A. I don't know. The business about
8
     where it was added makes sense.
9
     Nicotine-fortified product going at size press,
     that makes sense. The regular amount of salt
10
11
     additive in both control and nicotine, that
12
     doesn't make sense.
13
             Q.
                   Well, it appears that there's some
14
    form of salt that you add to all of your RC, and
15
     I'm just trying to figure out what that is.
             A. I don't think so.
17
             Q.
                   You don't think that's what that
18
     states?
19
                   Nope.
20
                    MR. O'FALLON: I'm next going to
    have marked a document Bates stamp numbered
21
22
    621400407 through 412.
23
                    (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1140 was
24
               marked for identification.)
25
                   By the way, just to go back to
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1139, that was a document generated in the
     ordinary course of business; correct --
             Α.
3
                   Yes.
             Q. -- and maintained in the ordinary
5
     course of business by American Tobacco?
             A.
 6
                    Yes.
7
                    I have handed you a document that's
             Q.
8
     been marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1140. It's
9
     dated April 10th, 1968. It's a memo from E.S.
     Harlow to J.B. McCarthy attaching another memo, a
10
11
     summary report.
                    Have you seen this previously?
12
13
             Α.
                    I don't think so.
14
                    On the second page of this
             Q.
    document, which is dated April 9th of 1968,
15
     there's a discussion of "Project K."
                    Do you recall a "Project K"?
17
18
                   Project K was perceived to use some
             Α.
     sort of synthetic base sheet.
19
20
             Q. It says that, in the third
21
     sentence, "As a target for the K base sheet, we
22
     are using a base sheet fabricated from tobacco
23
     leaf"; correct?
                    Yes, it does.
             Α.
25
                   And it says, "The guideline for the
             Q.
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| 1 | £1 - + | additions for this shoot includes | |
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| _ | | additives for this sheet includes | |
| 2 | the classes of compounds known to exist in | | |
| 3 | tobacco"; correc | t? | |
| 4 | | es. | |
| 5 | Q. D | o you know where those additives | |
| 6 | were being obtai | ned from? | |
| 7 | A. N | o, sure don't. | |
| 8 | Q. W | ould that include nicotine? | |
| 9 | A. M | ight. | |
| 10 | Q. W | as the synthetic | |
| 11 | | out it might not, too. I don't | |
| 12 | know. | | |
| 13 | Q. W | as this K base sheet or this | |
| 14 | synthetic base s | heet ever used in commercial | |
| 15 | products? | | |
| 16 | _ | O. | |
| 17 | O. U | nder project K, it also says, | |
| 18 | · · | base sheet will comprise 40 | |
| 19 | - | tives, 60 percent of the final | |
| 20 | total weight of | - | |
| 21 | | o you know how those additives | |
| 22 | were added back | - | |
| 23 | | III. IR. WALLACE: Objection, vague and | |
| 24 | | ik. WALIDACE: Objection, vague and | |
| | ambiguous. | | |
| 25 | | low how they were added back | |
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in? I don't -- part of the -- part of the --
     BY MR. O'FALLON:
3
             Q. When you're adding something, I
     assume it's an additive not naturally occurring,
5
6
                  I'm trying to -- trying to recall
             Α.
7
     on this project K. It seems to me it had
8
     something to do with a sheet other than actual
9
     tobacco. It may have been a cellulose type base.
     That's about all I can recall of it. How it was
10
11
     added, I don't know -- sprayed on or something.
12
             Q. You're not sure of the process that
13
     was used there?
14
             A. No.
15
                   But as far as you know, it wasn't
             Q.
     used in a commercial product?
17
             Α.
                   That's correct.
                   Let's look on page 3, last four
18
             Q.
     Bates numbers 0410. See that, where it says,
19
20
     "nicotine content of our products"?
21
             Α.
                  Uh-huh.
22
             Q.
                   It says, "As previously discussed,
23
     increasing the proportion of RC and Turkish in our
     various blends due to improvement in RC results in
     a blend of lower nicotine content"; correct?
25
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| 1 | A. | Yes. |
| 2 | Q. | It says, "This could adversely |
| 3 | affect the smol | ker's enjoyment and satisfaction"; |
| 4 | correct? | |
| 5 | A. | That's what it says. |
| 6 | Q. | So, apparently nicotine is linked |
| 7 | to the smoker's | s enjoyment and satisfaction? |
| 8 | A. | Potentially, but when the recon is |
| 9 | changed, a who | le lot of other things get changed, |
| 10 | too, so it may | have something to do with it |
| 11 | more than like? | ly, it's the whole ball of wax. |
| 12 | Q. | Down a few sentences, they talk |
| 13 | about a second | approach would be that of adding |
| 14 | nicotine to the | e reconstituted sheet. |
| 15 | A. | Where are you looking at? |
| 16 | Q. | I'm still under the "nicotine |
| 17 | content of our | products"? |
| 18 | A. | The second approach would be |
| 19 | okay. | |
| 20 | Q. | Do you see that? |
| 21 | A. | I got it. |
| 22 | Q. | So, there are two methods by which |
| 23 | this could be a | accomplished; one would be the |
| 24 | addition of the | e nicotine salt, such as nicotine |
| 25 | malate and the | other would be that of adding |
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| 1 | rustica, which | is extremely high in its nicotine |
| 2 | content, and the | nen it goes on to state, "As you are |
| 3 | aware, we are p | planning a small amount of rustica |
| 4 | on the land ad: | jacent to the laboratory and |
| 5 | contemplate gro | owing small plots in Connecticut and |
| 6 | Pennsylvania." | |
| 7 | Α. | Okay. |
| 8 | Q. | Was rustica ever grown? |
| 9 | Α. | It was grown one summer. |
| 10 | Q. | Was it added to your tobacco? |
| 11 | Α. | Other than a research test, I'm not |
| 12 | aware of any. | |
| 13 | Q. | You're not aware that it was ever |
| 14 | added to a comm | mercial product? |
| 15 | Α. | No, never was. |
| 16 | Q. | And it was only grown the one year? |
| 17 | Α. | That's all I remember, it was |
| 18 | pretty it wa | as a pretty poor-looking crop of |
| 19 | tobacco. | |
| 20 | Q. | Was it ever commercially purchased, |
| 21 | rustica? | |
| 22 | A. | It may have been, but it would have |
| 23 | been pretty har | rd. We probably planted it because |
| 24 | it was hard to | get ahold of. I don't know that. |
| 25 | Q. | Is rustica a form of tobacco? |
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1
                   That is a Native American Tobacco
     as Indians might have used. There are two types
     of tobacco, nicotinia tobaccum, which is current
     commercial tobacco as we know it, and the other is
5
     nicotinia rustica.
             Q. And nicotinia rustica is not
7
     typically used in cigarettes?
8
             Α.
                 No.
9
                   Let's look on page 411 under
             Q.
    "RC-A."
10
11
             Α.
                   Uh-huh.
12
             Q.
                    This talks about in the first
13
     extended run, it became apparent that the sheet
    was soaking up a much greater quantity of the
14
15
    extract and was thus becoming tack -- becoming
     somewhat tacky?
                   Yes.
17
             Α.
18
                   How is the extract added to the
             Q.
19
     reconstituted sheet?
                   The extract is readded with a
20
             Α.
21
    device that's called a size press.
             Q. What happens in that process?A. The concentrated extract is flowed
22
23
     into -- into a V -- if this is two rollers --
25
     (Demonstrating)
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1 Q. Uh-huh. It's put into here and the sheet Α. comes up through it and it gets pressed right back into the sheet, so that what was there has been put back in. Q. If I understand the process to make 7 reconstituted sheet, the first thing you do is basically extract out many of the materials 8 9 through some kind of a water or steam process; is 10 that right? A. 11 That's correct. We extract -- the 12 tobacco is extracted -- or I guess I should say 13 was -- was extracted and then you get not all of it, but most of it away from the fiber. The fiber 15 is ground, so it would be similar to making paper and lay it on the web, then the extract that had 17 extra water to it is now diluter than it was when it was on tobacco, so that's concentrated to put 18 19 it back into the same solid configuration that it 20 was in tobacco and then put it back in a size 21 press. 22 Q. Are other additives added to that 23 extract prior to reintroducing it with the reconstituted sheet? They can be. 25 Α. STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES

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| 1 | Q. Over time, what other things were |
|----|--|
| 2 | added to the extract? |
| 3 | A. Diammonium phosphate, and you can |
| 4 | add the well, the so-called casing materials |
| 5 | licorice, chocolate, humectant, invert syrup. |
| 6 | Q. So, from a technical sense, what |
| 7 | goes back on to the reconstituted sheet is |
| 8 | different than what came out of the reconstituted |
| 9 | sheet; correct? |
| 10 | A. It's a little more dilute. |
| 11 | Q. Well, you've also got diammonium |
| 12 | phosphate, which wasn't naturally in that sheet in |
| 13 | the same quantity; correct? |
| 14 | A. Providing it's the grade that uses |
| 15 | diammonium phosphate. |
| 16 | THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry. |
| 17 | A. Providing it's the grade that uses |
| 18 | diammonium phosphate, yes. |
| 19 | MR. O'FALLON: I'm going to have |
| 20 | marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1141 a document |
| 21 | Bates stamp numbered MNAT 00533224. |
| 22 | (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1141 was |
| 23 | marked for identification.) |
| 24 | A. 1141. |
| 25 | Q. 1141 is a single-page document |
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| 1 | dated May 14th | of 1969. |
|----|-----------------|--|
| 2 | | Do you recognize this document? |
| 3 | A. | Yes, I do. |
| 4 | Q. | This is from John T. Ashworth to |
| 5 | several individ | duals; correct? |
| 6 | A. | Right. |
| 7 | Q. | Is this a document from American |
| 8 | Tobacco's file: | s? |
| 9 | A. | Yes, it is |
| 10 | Q. | Was it |
| 11 | A. | looks like it. |
| 12 | Q. | To the best of your knowledge, was |
| 13 | it produced in | the ordinary course of business? |
| 14 | A. | Yes. |
| 15 | Q. | And maintained in the ordinary |
| 16 | course of busin | ness? |
| 17 | A. | Yes. |
| 18 | Q. | Would that also apply to the |
| 19 | previous exhib | it, Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1139 no, |
| 20 | I'm sorry, Pla | intiffs' Exhibit 1140? |
| 21 | A. | Forty? Yes, I think so. |
| 22 | Q. | Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1141 states, |
| 23 | "In the future | , our use of nicotine should be |
| 24 | referred to as | ," quote, "Compound W," end quote, |
| 25 | in our experime | ental work reports and memorandum, |
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either for distribution within the department or
     for outside distribution"; correct?
3
             Α.
                    That's what it reads.
                   Do you know why?
              Ο.
 5
                   No, no particular reason, other
             Α.
 6
     than, we commonly had project codes on anything
7
     and this was -- Compound W was probably at this
     stage getting close to the July -- I think it came
8
9
     out in July in the Lucky Strike addition that I
     mentioned previously, so at that stage, they would
10
11
     put things under just a code name, that's all.
             Q. Okay. It then states, "In the
12
13
     event that nicotine is used in the form of a salt
     such as nicotine dimalate, it should be referred
14
15
     to as Compound WM, and if used as citrate salt,
     referred to it as Compound WS, " et cetera,
17
     correct?
18
             Α.
                    Yes.
                    Okay. So, if we just see "Compound
19
             Q.
20
     W," does that refer just to pure nicotine?
             A. I don't think it's always that
21
22
     clean and neat, because I take it that they put
23
     that "Compound W" because the different salts were
     not being identified and that this is some way to
25
     try and codify that.
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| 1 | I do believe that Compound W has |
| 2 | been used as nicotine and was used to represent |
| 3 | nicotine and also nicotine salts, probably |
| 4 | interchangeable. |
| 5 | MR. O'FALLON: I'm going to have |
| 6 | marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1142 a document |
| 7 | Bates stamp numbered NMAT 00533253. |
| 8 | (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1142 was |
| 9 | marked for identification.) |
| 10 | MR. WALLACE: Take your time. |
| 11 | Take a look at it. |
| 12 | Q. Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1142 is a |
| 13 | document dated May 29, 1969. |
| 14 | Have you seen this document |
| 15 | previously? |
| 16 | A. I believe I did. |
| 17 | Q. This is one of the documents you |
| 18 | had the chance to review prior to the deposition; |
| 19 | correct? |
| 20 | A. Uh-huh. |
| 21 | Q. This is the subject "Experimental |
| 22 | Lucky Strike Cigarette, parenthetical "RC-E"? |
| 23 | A. Uh-huh. |
| 24 | Q. Does this refer to the Lucky Strike |
| 25 | cigarette you were talking about which was |
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produced commercially to which nicotine was added?
                   Yes, it was -- or is.
             Α.
3
             Q.
                   The second paragraph states that
     "Compound W was added to the dip casing to
5
     maintain the same level of this constituent as is
     now present in the regular Lucky Strike blend"?
6
7
             A. Uh-huh, okay, maintain the same
8
     level.
9
                   What's --
             Q.
10
                   I'm trying to get my context
             Α.
11
     correct here.
12
                    Dip casing -- maintaining the same
13
     level of the constituent now present in the
14
     regular Lucky Strike blend.
                    MR. WALLACE: Take your time to
15
16
     read through it. Maybe it will help you to
     respond to Mr. O'Fallon's question.
17
18
                   All right. The Compound W referred
     to here, the dip casing, I'm not exactly sure that
19
20
     level they are talking about Lucky Strike.
21
             Q. It doesn't say anywhere, really,
22
     does it?
23
                   It does not tell you that, but I do
     know that that's not what was put out, and I may
25
     have misspoken, the Lucky Strike that I mentioned
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went to Washington, I know what that level was,
     and this is some other experiment.
3
             Q. So, this isn't the Lucky Strike you
      talked about, this is some other Lucky Strike?
 5
                   No, this is another test, probably
 6
     right before that somewhere.
7
             Q. Okay. What's the dip casing?
8
                   Well, dip casing is -- kind of just
             Α.
9
     what it says, it's quite messy or was quite
     messy. I don't know that anybody has used it for
10
     years, and tobacco, Burley tobacco would come
11
     along the belt, and there's a big vat casing
12
13
     material, someone took it off, put it in there and
     picked it up, put it off to dry. (Demonstrating)
14
15
                   And that's where the nicotine was
             Q.
16
     added?
17
             A.
                   Well, that's what they said it did,
18
     yes.
                  Okay. In the fourth paragraph, it
19
             Q.
20
     says, "Incidentally, the properties of the RC-EW
21
     cigarettes were essentially the same as obtained
     on RC-E. These data are not being reported since
22
23
     I believe it is a general consensus that Compound
     W should be added during cigarette blend
     preparation rather than during the production of
25
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| 1 | the RC-EX grade when it goes into production at |
|----|--|
| 2 | Hamner Division." |
| 3 | What do they mean, "added during |
| 4 | the cigarette blend preparation"? |
| 5 | A. Blend preparation would be when the |
| 6 | other tobaccos are blended, you can add a spray |
| 7 | casing, as opposed to a dip, and that's probably |
| 8 | what they are referring to. |
| 9 | Q. And is that ultimately how the |
| 10 | Compound W was added to the commercial Lucky |
| 11 | Strikes that were test marketed? |
| 12 | A. I want to remember they went |
| 13 | ended up going into the RC-EX grade, even though |
| 14 | this says maybe something to the contrary. |
| 15 | Q. So, it was added to the extract? |
| 16 | A. I think so. |
| 17 | Q. In any event, it appears that |
| 18 | American had several ways of adding nicotine to |
| 19 | their cigarettes; correct? |
| 20 | MR. WALLACE: Objection. This |
| 21 | document speaks for itself. |
| 22 | A. In addition to blending and putting |
| 23 | this in, yeah. |
| 24 | Q. Well, several ways of adding |
| 25 | additional nicotine as some kind of a spray; |
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| 1 | right? | |
|----|---|------------------|
| | 5 | 1 |
| 2 | A. Nic short nic o | an be added by |
| 3 | spray or a dip case or by blend. | |
| 4 | MR. O'FALLON: I woul | d like to |
| 5 | mark as Exhibit 1143 a document Bate | es stamped |
| 6 | numbered MNAT 00533255 through 256. | |
| 7 | (Plaintiffs' Exhibit | 1143 was |
| 8 | marked for identification. | .) |
| 9 | Q. Do you recognize 1143 | 3, Plaintiffs' |
| 10 | Exhibit 1143? | |
| 11 | A. Yes, I believe I have | seen this |
| 12 | before. | |
| 13 | Q. This is a document yo | ou had the |
| 14 | chance to review prior to today's de | eposition? |
| 15 | A. Uh-huh. | |
| 16 | MR. WALLACE: But if | you would like |
| 17 | to take more time to review it now, | please do. |
| 18 | A. Yeah, I do, because t | chere's a lot |
| 19 | of | |
| 20 | Q. Would you answer my | question first, |
| 21 | and then you can review the document | |
| 22 | A. Uh-huh. | |
| 23 | Q. You have had the oppo | ortunity to |
| 24 | review this document prior to today | correct? |
| 25 | A. Yes. | |
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1
                   You have had the opportunity to
     discuss this document with your attorneys;
3
     correct?
             A.
                   Sure.
                  Did you discuss this document with
5
             Q.
6
     your attorneys?
7
                    MR. WALLACE: Object on the grounds
8
    of attorney/client privilege.
9
                   MR. O'FALLON: I'm just asking
     whether he did or didn't, I'm not asking for the
10
11
     substance.
                   MR. WALLACE: If you recall, go
12
13
     ahead and answer.
14
                  I think we did.
             Α.
15
                   Is this generally a summary of the
             Ο.
    technology you had as of April 29th, 1974
     regarding the addition of Compound W to
17
18
     cigarettes?
19
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection, this
20
     document speaks for itself.
                    MR. O'FALLON: Really, I have never
21
22
    heard a document talk. I'm entitled to publish
23
     this document in any way I see fit. That's not a
     valid objection.
24
25
                    THE WITNESS: The question was,
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1
    was this a summary?
                   MR. O'FALLON: Yes.
                   MR. WALLACE: Take the time to
    review the document, Mr. Price, so that you can
     answer Mr. O'Fallon's question. You're certainly
5
     not expected to have memorized it.
7
                    (Pause)
8
                   I don't know if this would be a
9
     complete summary, but it certainly summarizes some
     of the items.
10
11
                   Does it look to be a summary of
            Q.
12
     prior work?
13
            A.
                   Well, I'll direct your attention to
     "DWES-SE stems." That work, I think, went on
14
15
     prior to '74.
                   The Lucky 100s referred to there,
             Q.
    is that the Lucky 100s that were commercially
17
18
     produced?
19
             Α.
                   No.
             Q.
20
                   There's no analysis on this
21
    particular document of the Lucky 100s that were
22
    commercially produced?
23
            A. No -- time frame is wrong.
     Commercial production was only for three months.
                  There would be documents or should
25
             Q.
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be documents produced by American Tobacco that
     would give me the specifications for that Lucky
3
     cigarette that had the nicotine added; correct?
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection, calls for
 5
     speculation.
 6
             Α.
                    I don't know.
7
                   Do you know exactly what I'd be
             Q.
8
     looking for, exactly what that Lucky cigarette was
9
     called?
10
                   Lucky Strike test market,
             Α.
     Washington, probably.
11
12
             Q.
                   Was there any kind of a code name
13
     for it?
14
                   Shoot, I don't know.
             A.
15
                    It would indicate, at least on the
             Ο.
     tests that are done here, that the nicotine is
     being increased in the cigarette by more than one
17
     one-hundredth of a percent; correct?
18
                    MR. WALLACE: Object.
19
20
                    Well, my comment of one
             Α.
21
     one-hundredth of a percent was the one that went
     out to commercial usage.
22
23
             Q. I understand it. I can't find
     documents concerning that, so I'm going to ask you
     questions about this one.
25
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| 1 | A. Sur | e. |
|----|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| 2 | Q. For | instance, the regular Pall Mall |
| 3 | red blend analyzin | g 1.9 percent nicotine, standard |
| 4 | 1.87, was treated | with Compound W to increase |
| 5 | nicotine in the bl | end by 19 percent, i.e., to 2.4 |
| 6 | percent; correct? | |
| 7 | A. Tha | t's correct. |
| 8 | O. The | Lucky 100s had a 21 percent |
| 9 | increase in its st | |
| 10 | MR. | WALLACE: Objection, vague and |
| 11 | ambiquous. | , , |
| 12 | 5 | O'FALLON: I actually wasn't |
| 13 | done. | - |
| 14 | MR. | WALLACE: I'm sorry. |
| 15 | O. The | Lucky 100's blend was treated |
| 16 | - | yield 2.58 percent nicotine, a |
| 17 | - | e above the standard |
| 18 | - | COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry. |
| 19 | Could you | - |
| 20 | - | yield 2.58 percent nicotine, a |
| 21 | - | e above the standard control of |
| 22 | 2.13 percent? | |
| 23 | - | t's tobacco blend. |
| 24 | Q. I'm | sorry? |
| 25 | | t was tobacco blend shifted up. |
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1
     Smoke doesn't change much.
                   Smoke increased from .86 to 1.0;
             Q.
3
      correct?
             Α.
                   Yeah.
5
                    On a per-puff basis from .09 to
             Ο.
 6
     .11; correct?
7
                   Correct -- basically, not much.
             Α.
8
                   Do you know why this work was being
             Ο.
9
     done in 1974?
                   Well, we go back, just to take a
10
             Α.
     relook at where things had been on the different
11
     types of additions, see if there's anything from a
13
     taste standpoint, because each one of these, we
     had taste evaluation, and I recollect that any
14
15
     additions of nicotine really did not either change
     much or had a deleterious effect on taste, so we
17
     were constantly going back to look at things like
18
     that.
19
                   So, what you're telling me is that
              Q.
20
     you did panel tests on cigarettes to which you had
21
     added nicotine, it had a negative impact on taste,
     and yet, you still test marketed a cigarette for
22
23
     three months with increased nicotine?
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection. I think
25
     that mischaracterizes his testimony -- talking
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1
      about two different periods of time, as well,
     so --
3
                  This is in 1974, and as we go back,
      the thing that went out commercially was in '69.
             Q. Well, you want me to go back and
5
     get the documents and show that you test paneled
6
7
     cigarettes in '68 and '69; do you recall that?
8
                    MR. WALLACE: It's been asked and
9
     answered.
10
                    MR. O'FALLON: No, it hasn't.
11
                    Yeah.
             Α.
12
             Q.
                    Is it your testimony that
13
     cigarettes weren't tested by panels in '68 and
     '69; is that your testimony?
14
15
             Α.
                   Oh, I think some were.
16
             Ο.
                    And it's your testimony that this
     1974 document is reporting some new tests, or are
17
     they referring to some older tests?
18
             A. I don't know for sure on all of
19
20
     these. I know the one on stems, I don't think
21
     they were made in '74.
22
             Q. You don't believe they were made in
     '74?
23
24
             Α.
                   Nope.
25
                   So, that must have been an earlier
             Q.
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1
     product?
                   That was probably earlier.
             A.
             Q.
                  So, they're reporting results from
     earlier research prior -- considerably prior to
5
     1974; correct?
             A. Quite possibly.
7
             Q.
                  Would stand to reason; correct?
8
                  It's certainly not dated here.
             Α.
9
                   (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1144 was
              marked for identification.)
10
             Q. 1144 is a document -- 1144 is a
11
     document Bates stamped numbered MNAT 00316677
12
13
     dated May 17th, 1968; correct?
14
            A. Yes.
15
             Q.
                  Have you seen that document
16
    previously?
17
             Α.
                   Yes.
18
             Q.
                   It states that, "In order to
    determine the feasibility of increasing the
19
20
     nicotine content of our cigarettes by the addition
21
     of nicotine to the finishing flavor, we had Pall
22
    Mall cigarettes made up at the Virginia branch
23
    from a blend to which we added 0.2 percent
    nicotine as nicotine malate"; correct?
25
             Α.
                   Yes.
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1
                  And it appeared that they actually
     panel-tested those cigarettes; correct?
3
             A.
                  Yes -- says so.
                   So, was the panel -- is the 1974
             Q.
5
     document, is that referring to the panel tests of
     those Pall Malls?
6
7
                  Oh, I don't think so. Let me
             Α.
8
     look.
9
                   No.
10
                   So, apparently, you have done
             Q.
11
     numerous panel tests of numerous
12
     nicotine-fortified cigarettes?
13
             A.
                  Over a period of a number of years.
14
                   And it's your testimony that you
             Q.
15
     started this whole process again in 1974?
             Α.
                   Say it again.
17
             Q.
                   And it's your testimony that you
18
     started this whole process of evaluating
     cigarettes with added nicotine again in 1974?
19
20
                   Evaluating again -- somebody looks
             Α.
21
     to compile that information, whether it was all
22
     done new or done later, I don't know.
23
            Q. Well, you've testified that this
     was new information not based on the previous
     testing that was done in '68 and '69, so that's
25
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why I'm asking the question.
                   Okay. You were referring to, I
             Α.
     thought, specifically the Pall Mall cigarettes,
     were they the same or were they different, and I
     was answering, I thought, that the one that says
     May, '68, 17, was a separate one than the Pall
7
     Mall that was listed in the 1974 report.
8
            Q. And as you sit here today, do you
9
     know when the testing was done that's listed in
     the 1974 report?
10
11
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection, asked and
12
     answered.
13
             Α.
                   I cannot certify to the A,B, C and
     D exactly when those results were run. I can
14
15
     guess on the one that it was probably done
     beforehand -- before '74.
17
             Q.
                   And that would be B?
18
                    "B."
             Α.
                    MR. O'FALLON: I would like to
19
20
     mark as the next exhibit a document Bates stamped
21
     MNAT 00316695 through 6698.
22
                    (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1145 was
23
               marked for identification.)
24
                   Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1145 is a
25
     document dated June 5th, 1974 to a Mr. J.B.
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| 1 | McCarthy, Exec | utive Vice President, from a |
| 2 | Mr. R.M. Irby, | Jr., Manager, New Products |
| 3 | Division, Resea | arch and Development? |
| 4 | A. | Right. |
| 5 | Q. | Have you seen this document |
| 6 | previously? | |
| 7 | A. | Yes. |
| 8 | Q. | Is this one of the documents you |
| 9 | had the chance | to review prior to this deposition? |
| 10 | A. | Yes, sir. |
| 11 | Q. | Would you have seen this document |
| 12 | when it was wr | itten? |
| 13 | A. | Probably not. |
| 14 | Q. | Were you working under the new |
| 15 | products divis | ion, research and development at |
| 16 | this time? | |
| 17 | A. | Yes, I was. |
| 18 | Q. | And was Mr. Irby your supervisor? |
| 19 | A. | Second level up. |
| 20 | Q. | The subject of this document is |
| 21 | "Nicotine Conte | ent of Reconstituted Tobacco"; |
| 22 | correct? | |
| 23 | A. | Uh-huh, that's right. |
| 24 | Q. | It says, "In compliance with your |
| 25 | telephone reque | est to Mr. V.B. Lone-gy" |
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1
                    MR. WALLACE: "Lougee."
                    THE WITNESS: "Lougee."
                    MR. O'FALLON: "Lougee."
3
                  -- "we are outlining below our
5
     current knowledge regarding increasing the
     nicotine content of reconstituted tobacco";
6
7
     correct?
8
            Α.
                   Yes.
9
                   It says, "Your present
             Ο.
10
     reconstituted tobacco has a nicotine content of
11
     the order of 0.9 percent"; correct?
             A. That's correct.
12
13
             Q.
                 And it says, "To raise this value,
14
     one of two approaches must be taken"; right?
15
             A. Yes.
             Ο.
                    It states that "Your process of
     producing RC involves a water extraction of the
17
18
     tobacco components, concentrating the extract by
     evaporation, and applying this concentrated
19
20
     extract to the base sheet formed from the
     extracted fibers"; correct?
21
22
                   That's the way it's made, yes.
             A.
23
                   It says, "Since the nicotine is a
    soluble component, it is contained in the
     concentrated extract portion and is of the order
25
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1
     of 1.8 percent"; correct?
                   That's what it says.
             Α.
3
             Q.
                   It state, "To raise the level of
     nicotine in the final sheet, nicotine can be added
5
     to the concentrated extract, and thereby applied
     to the base sheet in the normal fashion"?
7
             A.
                   Right.
8
                   Let's look on the second page of
             Ο.
9
     the document under "Cast Sheet."
                   Okay.
10
             Α.
11
                   It says, "We have recently been
             Q.
12
     investigating the possibility of utilizing our
13
     throw-away dust by converting it to sheet material
     by the cast sheet technique"?
14
15
             A. Uh-huh.
16
             Ο.
                   It says at the bottom that "The
     final product will have a nicotine content of the
17
18
     order of 80 to 84 percent of the tobacco
     components, i.e., "parenthetical, "1.3 to 1.5
19
20
     percent," then states, quote, "it should be noted
21
     that the binder component may be prohibited by
22
     England as a nontobacco additive"?
23
             Α.
                    Okay.
24
                   What would the binder component be?
             Q.
25
                    If you're using a cast sheet, you
             Α.
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often use something called a -- like a cellulose
     product -- a carboxymethyl cellulose, or the like.
             Q.
3
                   And are you concerned about it
     being prohibited by England because at the time
5
     you were producing cigarettes that were sold by
 6
     Gallaher in England?
7
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection, calls for
8
     speculation.
9
                   Don't know that we were selling any
            Α.
     cigarettes at all through Gallaher.
10
11
                   Were you selling tobacco to
            Q.
12
     Gallaher or final product to Gallaher?
13
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, vague and
14
     ambiquous.
15
                   There may have been an
             Α.
     investigation of whether -- or a request -- I
     don't know -- from Gallaher, but I'm not aware of
17
     any, but our Hamner plant was free to act as a
18
     converter for Gallaher, as well as all other
19
20
     tobacco companies.
21
             Q. Was it your understanding that the
22
     addition of nicotine by adding Compound W
23
     increased impact?
                   Well, it certainly might, but in a
25
     lot of cases, it didn't seem to.
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1
                  Let's look at the bottom. It
     states, "In general, we have found to date that
     increasing the level of nicotine in the smoke by
     the addition of Compound W has little, if any,
     effect on taste. Smoke impact is noted at higher
     levels"; correct?
6
7
                   That's right. That would be viewed
             Α.
8
    as a rather deleterious effect, yeah.
9
            Q. It's your testimony that smoker's
10
     don't want a certain level of smoke impact?
11
            A. They would like a certain level of
     impact, but when you're working with recon -- does
12
13
     that say "recon" in here -- yeah -- recon is
14
     basically a negative in a taste aspect, so if you
15
     get a higher impact there, that's a higher
     negative.
17
             Q. Well, it appears that taste and
18
     impact are two different concepts; correct?
19
             A. Yes.
20
                    "Impact" refers to the
             Ο.
21
    physiological sensation in the mouth and throat;
22
    correct?
23
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection, vague.
                   That's certainly one description,
     you get a little catch in the throat.
25
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1
                  It's caused by nicotine; correct?
                   Well, impact -- whether exactly
             Α.
     nicotine is attributed often to it, I'm not sure
     that it is all the time.
5
             Q. But generally, it's accepted that
6
    nicotine causes impact; correct?
            A. Some, uh-huh.
7
8
            Q.
                  And increased nicotine would
9
    increase impact; correct -- correct?
                   Yes.
10
            Α.
11
                   MR. O'FALLON: I would like to
     have marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1146 a document
12
13
     Bates stamped numbered MNAT 00367409 through
14
     7410.
15
                    (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1146 was
16
              marked for identification.)
17
             Q.
                  Have you seen Plaintiffs' Exhibit
18
     1146 previously?
             A. I believe I have.
19
20
                   This document is dated June 6th of
             Ο.
21
     1974; correct?
22
            A. Right.
23
             Q.
                  It's one day after the memo we just
     looked at, Plaintiffs Exhibit 1145, which is dated
     June 5th, 1974; correct?
25
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| 1 | A. That's right. |
|----|--|
| 2 | Q. In fact, reference is made to the |
| 3 | June 5th memo in this document, Plaintiffs' |
| 4 | Exhibit 146; correct? |
| 5 | A. Somewhere, it is yeah, uh-huh. |
| 6 | Q. It states, quote, "Reference is |
| 7 | made to your memorandum of June 5 regarding |
| 8 | nicotine content of reconstituted tobacco, and the |
| 9 | following thoughts come to mind. |
| 10 | "One, the addition of Compound ${	t W}$ |
| 11 | apparently accomplishes the purpose well"; |
| 12 | correct? |
| 13 | A. That's what it says. |
| 14 | Q. And the purpose appears to be to |
| 15 | increase the nicotine content of reconstituted |
| 16 | tobacco; correct? |
| 17 | MR. WALLACE: Wait a second. Hold |
| 18 | on a second. I just want to look at something, |
| 19 | Byron. |
| 20 | The document speaks for itself. |
| 21 | Objection, calls for speculation. |
| 22 | Q. Do you still have the question in |
| 23 | mind? |
| 24 | A. Nope. |
| 25 | MR. O'FALLON: Let's have the |
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| 1 | question reread. |
|----|--|
| 2 | (Record read.) |
| 3 | THE WITNESS: Let me ask then, |
| 4 | you're referring to the purpose of the addition of |
| 5 | Compound W stated here? |
| 6 | MR. O'FALLON: Correct. Well, I'm |
| 7 | referring to what's referenced in the memorandum. |
| 8 | A. Yes, I believe it says that in item |
| 9 | three. |
| 10 | MR. WALLACE: Item three? |
| 11 | THE WITNESS: There somewhere. |
| 12 | MR. WALLACE: He's reading from |
| 13 | item one. |
| 14 | A. Item one yes, it would increase |
| 15 | the content some. |
| 16 | Q. This is written by Dr. Irby to |
| 17 | Mr. McCarthy; correct? |
| 18 | A. Other way around. |
| 19 | Q. Oh, I'm sorry. It's written |
| 20 | okay. So, this is a directive from the Executive |
| 21 | Vice President, Mr. McCarthy, to Dr. Irby, the |
| 22 | manager of the New Products Division; is that |
| 23 | correct? |
| 24 | A. That's right. |
| 25 | Q. And he directs him to do all |
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| 1 | research necess | ary to prove the feasibility or |
|----|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| 2 | lack of same in | the use of Compound W? |
| 3 | A. | That's what it says. |
| 4 | Q. | And additional research was done? |
| 5 | Α. | As I sit here, I don't know that, |
| 6 | but I'm assumin | g it was. |
| 7 | Q. | Do you know I'm sorry do you |
| 8 | know when that | research ended? |
| 9 | A. | Not exactly. |
| 10 | Q. | Do you know the rough time period |
| 11 | in which the re | search took place? |
| 12 | | MR. WALLACE: Objection, asked and |
| 13 | answered. | |
| 14 | A. | Probably shortly thereafter. I |
| 15 | don't know. | |
| 16 | Q. | Do you know who actually did the |
| 17 | research? | |
| 18 | Α. | No may have even been |
| 19 | discontinued. | I don't know. |
| 20 | Q. | So, as you sit here today, you |
| 21 | can't testify o | ne way or the other as to whether |
| 22 | the directive o | f Mr. McCarthy was ever carried |
| 23 | out? | |
| 24 | Α. | No, I can't do that. |
| 25 | Q. | Do you know for a fact that no |
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| 1 | nicotine was added to cigarettes by The American | |
|----|--|--|
| 2 | Tobacco Company after June of 1974? | |
| 3 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, vague and | |
| 4 | ambiguous. | |
| 5 | A. To the best of my knowledge, the | |
| 6 | only all I can say is, to the best of my | |
| 7 | knowledge, no commercial application was made, | |
| 8 | other than the one test market with Lucky | |
| 9 | Strikes. | |
| 10 | All everything else would have | |
| 11 | been some sort of a research just to see, "Does | |
| 12 | this do this? Does this do that?" | |
| 13 | That's what we do. | |
| 14 | Q. Prior to being told or being asked | |
| 15 | to appear for this deposition, did you have any | |
| 16 | specific knowledge of the research work being done | |
| 17 | on Compound W? | |
| 18 | A. Just my recollection of Compound W. | |
| 19 | Q. Did you have any specific knowledge | |
| 20 | of what research was done in 1974 concerning | |
| 21 | Compound W? | |
| 22 | A. No. | |
| 23 | Q. And were you one of the people who | |
| 24 | would have been responsible for deciding whether | |
| 25 | or not to add Compound W to a commercial product | |
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1
     after 1974?
             A.
                  No.
             Q.
                  Have you reviewed all the documents
     of American Tobacco Company to confirm that, in
5
     fact, Compound W was not added after 1974?
                  No, no way to do that.
             Α.
7
                   You understand that all the
             Q.
8
     documents of the American Tobacco Company are in
9
     the possession of lawyers for the company;
10
     correct?
11
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection.
12
             Α.
                   It's my understanding that the
13
     company files are in the warehouses in Secaucus,
14
     New Jersey.
15
                   Under the control of
            Ο.
16 Chadbourne & Parke; correct.
17
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection.
18
                   Yes.
             Α.
19
                   You didn't go out to a depository;
             Q.
20
     correct?
                  No, I did not.
21
             Α.
22
                   Have you ever asked anybody since
             Q.
23
    finding out that you would be testifying here
    today concerning the subject of nicotine and the
25
     addition of nicotine, whether they knew whether
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1
      Compound W had ever been added to a commercial
     product after 1974?
3
             A. Have I ever asked anybody? No,
      somehow -- no, I did not.
 5
             Q. Did you do any investigation to
     determine whether, in fact, Compound W was added
 6
7
     to a commercial product after 1974?
8
             A. No, I didn't, and the reason I
9
     didn't is that I knew that there was investigation
     going into the submission on the Waxman work.
10
11
                   Did you rereview all the
             Q.
12
      information from the Waxman report?
13
             A.
                   Not all of it, but I read that.
14
                   Did you go back and ask any of the
             Q.
     people who were involved in this time period 1974
15
     whether Compound W was ever added?
17
             Α.
                   Nope, they are all gone.
18
                   Did the lawyers ever offer to allow
             Q.
     you to go through the production documents to
19
20
     determine whether Compound W was added at any
21
     point after 1974 to a commercial product?
22
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection, to the
23
     extent that question is designed to elicit
     privileged communications.
25
                    I instruct you not to answer.
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|----|--|--|--|
| 1 | Q. Did you ever ask lawyers to go | | |
| 2 | through those documents? | | |
| 3 | MR. WALLACE: Objection, to the | | |
| 4 | extent it calls for any communications between | | |
| 5 | either Mr. Price or the lawyers representing him | | |
| 6 | in this litigation, and I instruct you not to | | |
| 7 | answer the question. | | |
| 8 | Q. But, in fact, you haven't gone | | |
| 9 | through any of those documents sitting in the | | |
| 10 | Secaucus warehouse; correct? | | |
| 11 | MR. WALLACE: Objection. That | | |
| 12 | question has been asked and answered two times | | |
| 13 | now. | | |
| 14 | MR. O'FALLON: Third time's a | | |
| 15 | charm. | | |
| 16 | MR. WALLACE: You can answer, the | | |
| 17 | same you've answered it. Answer it for the | | |
| 18 | third time for him. | | |
| 19 | A. No, I have not gone back through | | |
| 20 | those. | | |
| 21 | Q. Are you aware of the concept that | | |
| 22 | increased pH of cigarette smoke increases the free | | |
| 23 | nicotine in cigarette smoke? | | |
| 24 | A. Yes, I have heard that concept. | | |
| 25 | Q. Did you ever do any testing on that | | |
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1
     concept at the American Tobacco Company?
                   MR. WALLACE: Objection, vague as
3
     to time.
                   MR. O'FALLON: Any time.
                    MR. WALLACE: Objection,
5
6
    overbroad.
7
             Α.
                   Smoke pH is not something we ran as
8
     an analytical technique. We did do it in context
9
     with cigars, we did do it on occasions, but over a
     period of years, no, we didn't do that.
10
11
             Q. Did you ever investigate whether or
12
     not increased pH of tobacco smoke increased the
13
     free nicotine available in that tobacco smoke?
                   I can't cite any specific times
14
             A.
     that we went back and did that, but when we did
15
     measure or were aware of any changes in smoke pH,
     we saw little or no increase in our TVB -- smoke
17
     TVB, which would be our -- represented by
18
19
     nicotine.
20
                   Well, the total volatile base
             Q.
21
     represents your total volume of nicotine.
22
                   What I'm asking about is that
23
    portion of the nicotine that is free. You
     understand what "free nicotine" is?
25
                    Uh-huh.
             Α.
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1
             Q. "Free nicotine" is volatile
     nicotine; correct?
             A. It certainly is easily extractable,
     and certainly, all nicotine is volatile.
5
             Q. And you understand that most
     nicotine that's available in cigarette smoke is
6
7
    bound nicotine -- that is, it's bound with the
8
     salt; correct?
9
                   That's right.
             Α.
10
                  And you understand that if you
             Q.
     increase the pH of the smoke, you actually
11
     increase the amount of that nicotine that's
13
     volatile or free; correct?
14
             A. Right.
15
                   And you understand that adding
             Ο.
     certain additional bases to your product, such as
    diammonium phosphate, will increase or should
17
     increase the pH of your smoke; correct?
18
             A. They do not.
19
20
             Q.
                   So, it's your testimony that
21
     increasing smoke pH does not increase free
22
     nicotine?
23
                   The smoke pH --
                   MR. WALLACE: I'm sorry -- never
25
    mind. Withdraw that.
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                   The smoke pH, to the best of my
     knowledge, of our cigarettes did not get up to the
3
     level that would shift into free nicotine.
             Q. And what level would it need to be
5
     to shift to free nicotine?
                  Something above 62, 63, and we did
6
             Α.
7
     have ones that are on the border, but again, it's
     not a -- a consistent product that we ran.
8
9
                   I'm going to show you a document
             Q.
     that's been previously marked as Plaintiffs'
10
11
     Exhibit 1058.
12
                    MR. WALLACE: Take a look at it.
                    THE WITNESS: I have never seen it.
13
14
                    MR. WALLACE: Well, take your time
15
    to review it.
                   1058 is a document Bates stamped
       Q.
    numbered 511223463 through 3484. It's entitled
17
     "Implications and Activities Arising from
18
     Correlation of Smoke pH with Nicotine Impact,
19
20
     Other Smoke Qualities, and Cigarette Sales."
21
                    Have you seen this document
22
    previously?
23
                    Nope.
             Ο.
                   Let me refer you specifically to
25
     pages -- and I'm going to refer you to the last
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1
     three Bates stamp numbers, 465, 466, and 479.
                    465, 466 \text{ and } 4 --
             Α.
3
             Q.
                    79.
                    MR. WALLACE: 469 or 479?
 4
5
                    MR. O'FALLON: 479.
                    MR. WALLACE: Thank you.
6
7
                   Okay. Oh, there it is. Okay.
             Α.
8
     465 -- okay.
9
                    And let me know when you're ready
             Ο.
10
     to talk about it.
11
                    (Pause)
12
             Α.
                    Okay.
13
             Q.
                    Okay. Let's go to the first page I
14
     referred you to, last three Bates number 465.
15
                    Are you there?
16
                    Uh-huh.
17
             Q.
                   At the top, it's entitled
18
     "Implications and Activities Arising from
     Correlation of Smoke pH with Nicotine Impact,
19
20
     Other Smoke Qualities, and Cigarette Sales";
21
     correct?
22
                    That's what it says.
             Α.
                  Under "Introduction and
23
     Objectives," it states, "This year, the continuing
     vigorous sales growth of various competitive
25
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| 1 | cigarette brands, especially Marlboro and Kool, | | | |
|----|--|--|--|--|
| 2 | prompted an intensive study of the physical and | | | |
| 3 | chemical properties of those brands as compared | | | |
| 4 | with our brands. This was aimed at (1) | | | |
| 5 | identifying any significant property differences | | | |
| 6 | which might correlate with market performance; (2) | | | |
| 7 | measuring and monitoring such differences, and (3) | | | |
| 8 | learning how such differences are achieved, | | | |
| 9 | permitting us to achieve similar effects in our | | | |
| 10 | existing or new brands, if desired." | | | |
| 11 | Did you ever do such similar kind | | | |
| 12 | of research when you were with American Tobacco? | | | |
| 13 | MR. WALLACE: Objection. It's a | | | |
| 14 | compound question. It's also vague. | | | |
| 15 | A. Well, if you're asking me did we | | | |
| 16 | look or do any reverse engineering on Marlboro | | | |
| 17 | product; yes. | | | |
| 18 | Did we do anything that was similar | | | |
| 19 | to this that you're referring to on the measuring | | | |
| 20 | and monitoring the differences; yeah, we would do | | | |
| 21 | that. | | | |
| 22 | Q. Who did the reverse engineering | | | |
| 23 | work? | | | |
| 24 | A. Oh, different people, some | | | |
| 25 | analytical work, some was certainly taste and | | | |
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1
     blend.
                  Did you do any of it?
Some would have been done under
              Q.
 3
             Α.
     my -- certainly under my staff members.
             Q. And by "reverse engineering" -- A. And also some -- well, it would
 5
 6
 7
     have been on my, too -- I was going to say
     "routine analysis."
 8
9
             Q. And by "reverse engineering," did
10
     you analyze the tobacco smoke and the tobacco of
11
     Marlboro and try to determine why it was -- why it
     had the makeup it had?
12
13
             A. Yeah, but I don't think we ever got
14
     very far. We did better just by taste -- taste
15
     smoking.
                   Let's go to page 2 of this
            Q.
     document, which is the bottom --
17
18
                    466?
             Α.
             Q. 466, right. Roman numeral III is
19
20
    entitled "Smoke pH and Free Nicotine"; correct?
             A. Yes.
21
22
                    The first sentence of the document
             Q.
23
    states that, "In essence, a cigarette is a system
    for delivery of nicotine to the smoker in
     attractive, useful form"; correct?
25
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|----|---|--|--|
| 1 | A. | That's what that sentence is. | |
| 2 | Q. | You would disagree with that? | |
| 3 | A. | I disagree with that. | |
| 4 | Q. | It goes on to state, "At," quote, | |
| 5 | "normal," end | quote, "smoke pH at or below about | |
| 6 | 6, essentially | all of the smoke nicotine is | |
| 7 | chemically com | bined with acidic substances; hence, | |
| 8 | is nonvolatile | and relatively slowly absorbed by | |
| 9 | the smoker"; i | s that correct? | |
| 10 | Α. | Yep. | |
| 11 | Ο. | You would agree with that? | |
| 12 | · - | Pretty much, but I need to say at | |
| 13 | | oke pH is one of the poorest | |
| 14 | analytical techniques that anybody does, and it's | | |
| 15 | completely dependent on methodology. | | |
| 16 | 0. | And does your company do smoke pH | |
| 17 | measurements? | | |
| 18 | Α. | We did some. | |
| 19 | 0. | When? | |
| 20 | Α. | Intermittently, oh, by different | |
| 21 | methods from - | - well, maybe before I even joined | |
| 22 | | There was a method available I | |
| 23 | | often it was used up through | |
| 24 | | y '80s. Certainly, after we sold | |
| 25 | | any, we didn't run smoke pH to speak | |
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1 of. Okay. So, the majority of your Q. 3 smoke pH testing was done on cigars? A. A lot was done on little cigars, 5 and at the same time, we would run some 6 cigarettes. 7 Kind of as a byproduct of testing Q. 8 the cigars? If we were doing it, we would 9 Α. piggyback it. 10 So, you weren't specifically 11 Q. 12 looking at cigarettes; correct? 13 A. No, not in a systematic fashion. 14 Okay. And as best you can recall, Q. 15 you never did look at cigarettes in a systematic fashion to evaluate smoke pH; correct? MR. WALLACE: Objection, asked and 17 18 answered. A. We did not do them on a routine, 19 20 quarterly analysis basis, no. 21 Q. I think the word you used was "systematic," you did not do them on a systematic 22 23 basis either; correct? Well, let me -- "systematic," if I 25 define "systematic" as something we did on routine STIREWALT & ASSOCIATES P.O. BOX 18188, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418 1-800-553-1953

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      analysis, say quarterly market lot, no, we didn't
     do that.
3
                    Did it get looked at from time to
     time; yes, in a system to that, but I want to make
 5
      that distinction, okay?
 6
             Q.
                    When it was looked at, it was
7
     looked at as a byproduct of your testing of your
      cigars and little cigars; correct?
8
9
                   Well, I don't know. Maybe you mean
10
     the same thing, but certainly, byproduct -- it was
11
     certainly run at the same time because it was
12
     convenient to do that, yes.
13
             Q.
                   This document goes on to state that
14
     "As the smoke pH increases above about 6, an
15
     increasing proportion of the total smoke nicotine
     occurs in, " quote, "free, " end quote, "form, which
17
     is volatile, rapidly absorbed by the smoker and
     believed to be instantaneously perceived as
18
     nicotine kick"; correct?
19
20
                    MR. WALLACE: "Instantly."
                    MR. O'FALLON: "Instantly perceived
21
22
     as nicotine kick"; correct?
23
                   That's what this report says.
24
              Q.
                    You disagree with that?
                   I don't know. I have no real -- I
25
             Α.
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have heard this thesis, and I have no real -- I
     have no comment one way or another.
3
                  Let's look at Bates number 3479
             Q.
     quickly.
                  3 -- what?
5
             Α.
             Q.
6
                   3479.
                 Okay. I got it.
This is a chart that basically
7
             A.
8
             Q.
9
    tracks "pH, Nicotine and Smoke Quality"; correct?
            A. That's what it says.
10
                  It would show that as the pH of the
11
             Q.
12
     smoke increases, so does the percentage of free
13
     nicotine available in the smoke; correct?
14
            A. Sure.
15
                   And it shows that in that area
             Ο.
    where there's more free nicotine, that there's
17
     more rapid nicotine absorption; correct?
                  Nicotine -- this is pH -- nicotine
18
            A.
19
     absorption?
20
             Q. You see on the side -- on the
21
     left-hand side at the top, it says, "Effects on
22
     Smoker"?
23
                   Yeah, okay.
            Ο.
                   And then underneath that, you go to
25
    "Area of," colon?
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All right.
It says, "Rapid nicotine
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             Q.
     absorption"; correct?
3
            A. "High Burley (nicotine) flavor" --
5
     okay, I see that now.
6
            Q. And that's across from the portion
7
    of the chart that shows increased free nicotine;
8
    correct?
9
                  Sure. I see that now.
            Α.
            Q. Whereas, when you look farther down
10
11
    on the left-hand column into the area where you're
     showing low pH, it's showing slow nicotine
13
    absorption; correct --
14
            A. Yes.
15
                  -- and irritation to the mouth and
            Q.
16 nose; correct?
            A.
17
                 That's what it says.
18
                   MR. O'FALLON: Let's go to Category
19
    II.
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                   MR. WALLACE: With that, I think it
21
    would be appropriate for us to take a break while
22
    we mark this.
23
                   MR. O'FALLON: That's fine.
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                   (Recess taken for Category II
25
    testimony.)
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                   MR. WALLACE: It's my understanding
    that Mr. O'Fallon has completed his examination of
    American's 30.02(f) witness with respect to topics
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     1 through 5.
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                    With that understanding, we have no
6
    Redirect questions for Mr. Price.
7
                    Thank you.
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                    (Deposition recessed at 4:20
9 o'clock p.m.)
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